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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Civilisation Menaced

If there is one weapon of war which, by international agreement, must be outlawed and scrapped, it is the hydrogen bomb. There can be no two views about this. The H-bomb is too grave a threat to the whole of civilised mankind to be permitted any longer to remain a military device or a political lever. The people of America are now learning the truth about the annihilating force of thermonuclear weapons through the films and pictures of the 1962 hydrogen bomb test, and it is a pity the entire rest of the world cannot have the same knowledge impressed upon them in the same way. There has been an understandable tolerance of experiments in atomic and thermonuclear energy designed to perform military service because the weapons were accepted as deterrents to aggression. But as *Church of England Times* has observed in a penetrating comment, everything is "irrelevant to the salient moral fact that this new weapon is an unholy affront to the conscience of mankind." Furthermore nuclear bombs are utterly different to any previous weapons in the history of the world and "their effect will not only be to kill millions but to poison the springs of human health for uncounted generations." This is no flamboyant measure of speech; on the contrary it is a statement of sober and sombre fact, and it applies with equal force to the peoples of the East as it does to those of the West. It is just this which clearly influenced Mr Attlee in the composition of his Party's motion which is to be presented to the House of Commons next Monday advocating a top-level meeting of the three nations most actively engaged in the development of nuclear weapons—the United States, Britain and Soviet Russia. Such a meeting would not bring about the immediate total abolition of weapons which it has now been proved could virtually destroy the world, but it could, and probably would, hasten concerted action towards outlawing thermonuclear weapons. Every possible avenue to this end must be explored if our so-called civilisation is to avoid obliterating itself.

## Dien Bien Phu Outpost

### Evacuated

## BITTER BATTLE FOR FORTRESS

### Decisive Factor Will Be Weather

Hanoi, Apr. 2. French troops fighting a bitter battle for Dien Bien Phu, have evacuated a northeastern outpost of the fortress after recapturing it from the Vietminh early today, the French High Command announced tonight.

The Vietminh also gained a foothold in the northeast corner of the defence perimeter in a renewed onslaught after midnight.

Unconfirmed reports put the Vietminh less than a mile from the heart of the northern fortress as French troops bitterly contested every inch of their shrinking defences.

Observers here consider that the outcome of the battle, biggest of the seven-year-old war, will depend on the weather allowing the French High Command to parachute the hard-pressed defenders all the supplies they require.

The High Command also announced clashes between French troops and more than 1,000 Vietminh rebels driving into the state of Cambodia from southern Laos. French troops are holding the Vietminh advance, the High Command said.

French and Vietminh forces battled around the town of Vouysan, 30 miles inside the frontier. Reports said the Cambodian High Command has conceded the loss of the town.

This is the first time a regular Vietminh formation has penetrated the jungle territory of northern Cambodia, home of the primitive Mekong tribes. The new attack follows three weeks of bloody battle at Dien Bien Phu.

Colonel Christian de Castries, French Commander at Dien Bien Phu, decided to evacuate the outpost in the northwest because it had been too badly battered by the Vietminh troops, who held it until late this morning.

Vietminh now have captured four positions in three days of heavy fighting. The battle was less intense today, but is expected to flare up again late tonight.

Some observers here estimate Vietminh casualties so far at nearly 20,000—half the number of troops they had in the area at the outset of the battle.

### LAST RESERVES

Hanoi, Apr. 2. The French forces threw their last reserves into the crumbling defence of Dien Bien Phu tonight with orders to die rather than yield an inch to the attacking Vietnamese army.

Colonel Christian de Castries, commander of the gallant but outnumbered French garrison, issued his stand-and-die order after a fresh Communist division had stormed into the Western defences and plunged 1,000 yards of the heart of the fortress.—United Press.

## Death Of General Vandenberg

### Former Air Force Chief Of Staff

Washington, Apr. 2. General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force from 1948 until his retirement last June, died today aged 65.

"General Van," as he was known to airmen everywhere, has been a patient in the Army's Walter Reed Hospital here since last October when he was admitted for "observation and checkup."

He was in virtual seclusion during the last months of his illness, too sick to receive many visitors.

The Air Force declined to state the nature of his illness but private doctors who attended an operation in 1952 said it was found then he was suffering from cancer of the prostate gland and that subsequently the malignancy spread to the hips, spine and other bones.

Later, the hospital announced officially that the cause of death was cancer.

General Vandenberg is survived by his widow, a daughter, Gloria Rose, a son, Lieutenant Hoyt Sanford Vandenberg, and three grandchildren.

Lieutenant Vandenberg, serving with the Air Force in Germany, returned to Washington this week to his father's bedside.

The hospital said Mrs Vandenberg, the son and daughter were at the bedside when the General died.

### LOST A GRAND MAN

General Vandenberg's successor as Air Force Chief-of-Staff, General Nathan F. Twining, said the "nation has lost a grand man."

A descendant of early Dutch settlers, Hoyt Sanford Vandenberg was born at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on January 24, 1899, the son of William Collins Vandenberg and his wife Pearl Kane.

He was a nephew of the late Republican Senator Arthur Vandenberg, the one-time isolationist, whose change of heart—which he confessed was partly due to his nephew's influence—made the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation and the Marshall Plan a reality.

He played an important part in planning the invasion of Normandy in August, 1944, and assumed command of the famous 9th Air Force.

He strove tirelessly to make his country supreme in the air. After a visit to the Korean front, he caused a stir by declaring that the United States was fighting with obsolescent aircraft.

When he retired in June 1953, the Secretary for the Air Force said that under his leadership, the United States Strategic Air Command had become "the most powerful and effective military force ever assembled in the interests of peace"—Reuter.



The Patriarch of Moscow records his vote in Moscow during the recent Supreme Soviet elections when 120,000,000 voters polled to elect 1,331 Deputies to the Supreme Soviet.—London Express.

## Voting In Moscow

## NOW IT'S THE NITROGEN BOMB!

### But Scientists Sceptical

London, Apr. 2. Two Labour members of Parliament—one of them Mr Herbert Morrison, a former Foreign Secretary—claimed in speeches tonight that the Russians are developing nitrogen bombs.

But leading atomic scientists in Britain were sceptical as to whether any nation could produce such a bomb.

Mr Morrison, who was speaking at Wellington in Northwest England, said:

"We have witnessed the coming of the motor-car, the radio, the aeroplane, poison gas, high explosive bombs, incendiary bombs, bacteriological bombs, atom bombs, hydrogen bombs—and now it is said the Russians are developing nitrogen bombs."

The other Labour member of Parliament, left-winger Fenner Brockway speaking at Exeter in southwest England, said that the H-bomb seemed not the last word in destruction.

"Russia has already mastered the making of the nitrogen bomb," he added, "and not only civilisation but mankind itself is threatened."

Among the scientists asked to comment on the statements by Mr Morrison and Mr Brockway, was Professor Joseph Rotblat, Vice-President of the British Atomic Scientists Association. He did not think anyone could have used nitrogen in a bomb.

"The thermal reaction that would be necessary to set off nitrogen would have to be much greater than that used for the H-bomb and I do not believe anyone has discovered how to produce the extremely high temperature needed," he said.

"It is possible that a H-bomb could be surrounded by nitrogen and then set off but I cannot imagine how it could be safely done without endangering those who did it."

"Unless something completely new has been discovered, I do not think a nitrogen bomb is yet possible."

Dr P. E. Hodgson, editor of the Atomic Scientist Journal and

Canberra Jet Bomber Crashes

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A Canberra jet bomber crashed as it was taking off at the Binbrook (Lincolnshire) airfield and struck a truck and trailer, killing the plane's pilot and a crew member. One other crew member was seriously injured and a fourth escaped with bruises.

The plane was on a regular training flight. The truck and trailer both empty, were completely destroyed.—France Presse.

## Shipping Magnate Arrested

Tokyo, Apr. 2. Tokyo police today arrested shipbuilding magnate Toshio Doko on a charge connected with bribery scandals.

Mr Doko is the Vice-Chairman of the Japan Shipbuilding Industry Association.—Reuter.

Every sport has its special lingo, from polo to pole-vaulting, from deck-tennis to squash. Yet strange to say, there are few phrases to describe that pleasantest part of all, when a man cools off in the clubhouse and holds his inquest on the game. Golf has its Nineteenth Hole, of course; but cricket has no Eleventh Wicket, or rugger a Third Half.

Perhaps it is not so strange after all. For how can words really describe the bliss of sinking into a deep chair and relaxing the stiffened muscles one by one? Or of rewarding the parched lips with that first long glass of Rose's Lime Juice, iced to the frosting point?

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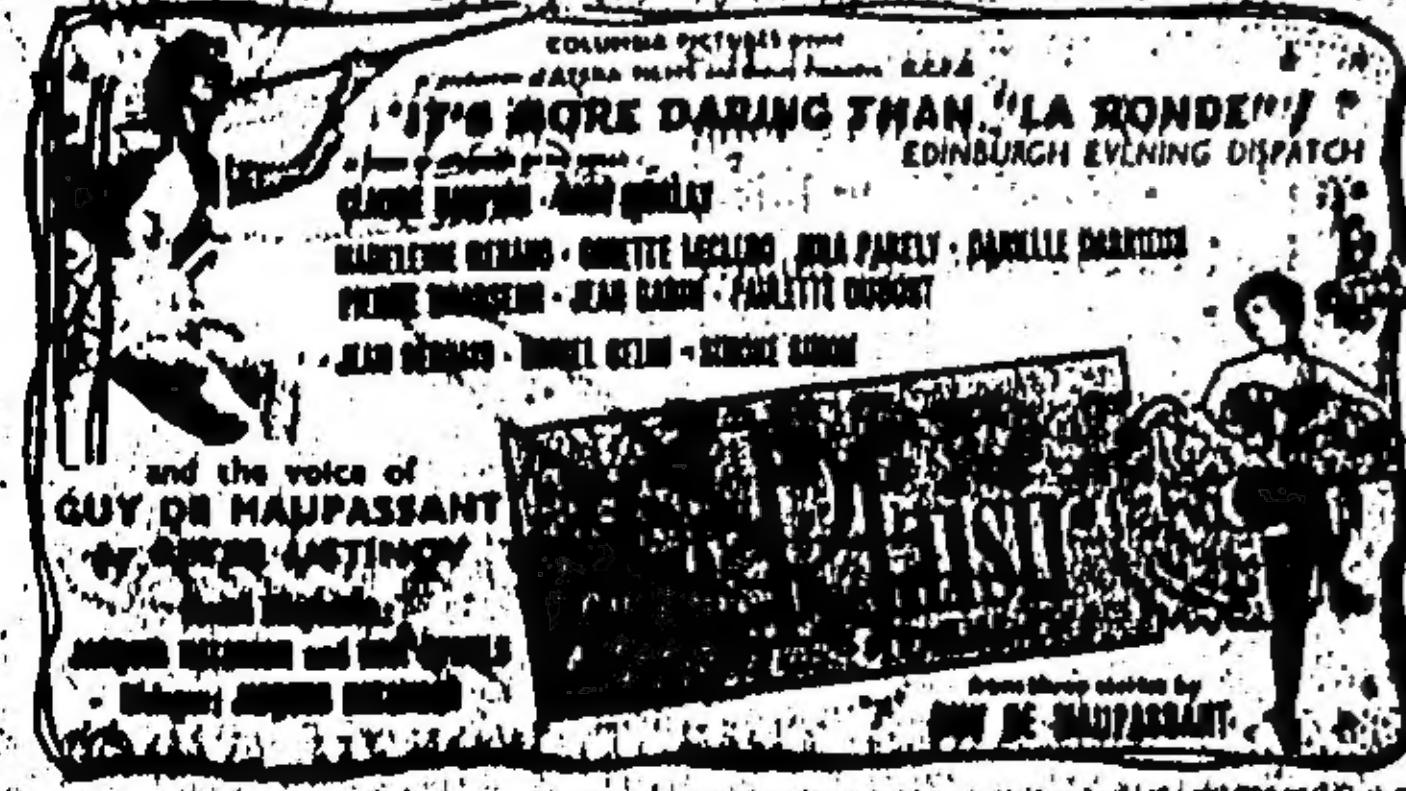
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**FILMS—CURRENT AND COMING**

By JANE ROBERTS



Julia Adams & Glenn Ford in "THE MAN FROM THE ALAMO"

The LEE and the GREAT WORLD are giving us a slice of American history with "COLUMN SOUTH" at the moment. When that moves out we'll be seeing "IT HAPPENS EVERY THURSDAY", then the "THE MAN FROM THE ALAMO".

Loretta Young returns to us in "IT HAPPENS EVERY THURSDAY". She and her screen husband, John Forsythe, are two New Yorkers who leave the big town with their young son and take over a small weekly newspaper in a town in California.

The film is concerned with their misunderstood efforts to gain the townspeople's confidence. Far from being the flourishing little paper he'd dreamed of, John Forsythe finds that its circulation is very low and the only way of bolstering it is to pander to the town's weather-vane feelings.

The featured players are all familiar—Frank McHugh, Edgar Buchanan and Gladys George.

**SAME PLACE**

Do you remember some years ago here an excellent little film called "THE OX BOW INCIDENT"? Well, next week—or rather next week-end—we're visiting that town again.

Not staying very long this time—it's something that happens at Ox Bow that sends Glenn Ford off again to the Southwest of North America in front of the pursuing Mexican armies.

Remember too "THE BIG HEAT"? Its revenge that spurs Glenn Ford on again in "THE MAN FROM THE ALAMO".

I won't ask you to stretch your memories any further today and if I do forget myself and throw in that battle cry of Sam Houston—"Remember the Alamo"—don't take it personally!

Here's what "THE MAN FROM THE ALAMO" is all about. The central character is, of course, Glenn Ford. Sent back from the Alamo battle as the most trustworthy messenger to be found, his job is to warn the families of the settlers at Ox Bow that Santa Anna's Mexicans—with rather sticky reputations in the cruelty line—are making for the town. What he finds at Ox Bow starts the story proper.

From the Press Book, this looks like being a good action film. There are one or two familiar angles—a small town newspaper run by a tough old man as fearless with his guns as he is with his copy—the hero branded a coward because the men who know, the truth have all been massacred—Victor Jory once more cast as a renegade but being in philosophical mood today, I'm prepared to believe that all life's events are a series of repetitions and that "THE MAN FROM THE ALAMO" could be as true as any other stories of the fighting Texans.

Julie Adams and Chill Wills share top billing with Glenn Ford and the picture is in Technicolour.

\* \* \* \* \* The ROXY and BROADWAY will put on "GOD NEEDS MAN" after "THE LADY CHATTERLY'S LOVER OF JAPAN" and then we shall be seeing Claude Raines in "PARIS EXPRESS".

Sad to say, I've been able to glean almost no information on "GOD NEEDS MAN". What I have, I lay before you. It possesses an all-French cast and takes us back to about 100 years ago. The locale is a small town in France where the laymen oust the priests from their positions of authority and take the law into their own hands.

Now "PARIS EXPRESS" I can tell you about. It's based

on the novel "The Man Who Watched The Trains Go By" by Georges Simenon and has an imposing international cast.

The lovely Anouk, who starred with Trevor Howard in "GOLDEN SALAMANDER", is on the list, but is not the star. It seems a pity that she accepted a supporting part when she started off so well. The feminine star is Marta Toren, with, as "The Man", Claude Rains.

Another star of "GOLDEN SALAMANDER"—Herbert Lom—is killed off quite early in the film and that clever actor Marius Goring will be seen as the detective shadowing Claude Rains. Felix Aylmer is also among the distinguished supporting players.

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(a) the names in the cast, (b) I like good French films and this one has all the cards stacked on its side.

(c) It is unusual.

Let me hasten to add that I having seen the film "LE PLASIR" which is adapted from these three stories, I can unhesitatingly recommend it.

Unfortunately, however, I've not read them and the film was previewed before I became the occupant of this column. I'm telling you this so that you can go to the film with an open mind, not thinking that your reviewer wasn't allowed to see it because it wouldn't bear scrutiny.

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ambition to become a successful landscape artist.

It's not a happy story—in all three of the Maupassant tales there's the sadness that underlies everything in real life; but it does illustrate the fact that without the experience of unhappiness there can be no depth of character.

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"ART ABOVE ALL"

"Art above all" is the theme of "THE GOLDEN COACH", coming to the KING'S after "THE WILD ONE". Being a British film made in Italy, you'll have to forgo one of your mid-week engagements to see it and if you find yourself out to dinner on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week, I'd advise you to cancel one of them—your host probably wants to see Anna Magnani too!

She's one of a company of Italian strolling players who have forced by poverty to leave their native country and try their luck in South America.

The Spanish colony they start in though, isn't a great improvement. The inhabitants are poor and ignorant and the lovely music of Vivaldi is quite lost on them.

But though the finer points of the opera "Comedie dell'Arte" are obscure to them, Anna Magnani's charms are not. The people love her—and not only Madame's niece.

Besides having a patient, quiet lover in the troupe, she collects two more in the cow colony—Ramon, a handsome matador and the aristocratic ruler.

She is offered devotion by the actor, celebrity by Ramon and power by the Colony's ruler. Anna Magnani ponders and chooses to remain a strolling player and keep the love of the people.

Jean and Claude Renoir combined to produce this film. The former (the son of the famous painter) directed and his nephew supervised the colour processing. It is the first Italian film to be produced in Technicolour.

"THE VANQUISHED", in Technicolour, succeeds "THE GOLDEN COACH" and "LE PLASIR", but more of that next week.

**A Bitter Price For That Bitter Rice**

The groggy British film industry is getting another kick in the pants.

With fewer and fewer films going on our studio floors, and British films making no headway in the American market, the Italians are smacking hard at what little business we do in the States.

And they are succeeding with a commodity in which we have never traded: Sex.

One by one the brown-bikini bonobos of Italy, Gina Lollobrigida, Silvana Mangano, Colette Greco, Silvana Pampanini, Brunella Bovo, etc., are conquering the U.S. screens from New York to San Francisco.

It is not so. Many are shown only in the "art" cinemas which specialize in foreign attractions, as some of London's smaller cinemas specialize in foreign language films.

Bitter Rice, for example, \$278,700 and 7,000 clowns—most of the circuits which a few years ago would not book any films.

Helped partly by a clause in the Indo-American film agreement which stipulates that one-tenth of the U.S. film earnings in Italy must go to promote Italian films in America, but chiefly by "glamour," the Italians are now turning their eyes to another rich market: U.S. television.

Meanwhile, what is Britain doing? Many people over here

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Interesting News Stories From All Parts Of The World

## Underwater Explorers' Club Assumes New Importance

The Australian Underwater Explorers' Club is having fun investigating the mysteries of this nation's million square miles of wealth-laden undersea territory. This expert organization of scientists, doctors, businessmen and engineers, originally formed for recreation, is now growing into an important link in Australia's development.

Their work is swiftly turning public attention to the peacetime value of trained underwater experts and their vast wartime potential. The New South Wales Police may form a rescue group with the club's assistance, and the Royal Australian Navy is discussing its capabilities.

## Fighting Nature's Destructive Elements

**Winnipeg.** Canadian scientists are continuing to make sensational gains against the destructive elements of nature, according to Manitoba's Agriculture Minister, Ron Robertson, but help is needed from one of the commonest elements of all—the weather.

Robertson said that "reasonable balanced" weather on the Prairies this year would result in Manitoba farmers pocketing an extra \$62,900,000, all because of new scientific developments.

The Agriculture Minister heaped high praise on scientists, government laboratories, experimental farms, research organizations and departments of agriculture for the recent great strides in anti-pest research.

Robertson said that new variety of wheat—especially the rust-resistant Selkirk variety—will add six bushels an acre to the average Canadian yield. For Manitoba's six-and-a-half-million acres of wheat land, that means an added revenue this year of more than \$42,000,000.

Robertson warned, however, that a vicious new strain of wheat rust—known as 15-B-3—has made its appearance on the Prairies... and Selkirk wheat is not resistant to this latest scourge of the grain-grower. "The answer is still in the laboratory," Robertson said. "But we all hope that the scientists have at least won the race against one of the rust threats—the 15-N-3."

### SEED DISTRIBUTED

He reported that 125,000 bushels of Selkirk wheat seed, only developed last year, had been distributed to farmers in Manitoba and eastern Saskatchewan, the two areas hardest hit by wheat rust. The valuable seed was distributed on the basis of six bushels per farm... but larger supplies will be available this year.

There have been some other equally sensational new scientific developments that will be of benefit to farmers throughout Canada, not just the Prairie grain-grower, Robertson said.

These improvements are in fertilizers, fungicides, chemical weed control and insecticides.

To show how these startling new developments can affect every Canadian living on a farm, Robertson listed exactly what they will do for Manitoba farmers.

He said more than 3,000,000 acres in the province were treated with the latest fungicides, which will boost grain output by at least a quarter of a bushel per acre.

### BIGGER INCOMES

Robertson said chemical new control along the new lines will mean a tremendous increase in production of farmers." After paying for the 15-B-3 weed-killers, Manitoba farmers will reap an extra income of 1,500,000 acres treated so far totalling \$4,650,000.

Now, insecticides will give a net added income of \$6,000,000 a year, while new fertilizers dusted upon nearly 2,000,000 acres of grain land will mean a net income increase during 1954 of more than \$8,000,000.

Farmers across Canada will benefit from this scientific research. He added similar advances are being recorded in such specialized fields as fruit-growing, livestock production, and vegetable growing.

All levels of government in Canada are co-operating in these research projects, in laboratories, on experimental farms, and through the willing exchange of all their findings and pooling of their resources, Robertson said.

All this is done with the aim of helping farmers combat their problems, thereby giving bigger and better production, which will provide steady in-

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Two enthusiastic spear-fishermen, Dentist Roderick G. McNeill, 35, and manufacturer Don Linklater, 33, formed the club at Sydney in October, 1952, with the intention of new adventures and "a good time."

Then as membership increased, their experience widened, and equipment improved, scientists became interested and the scope of the club assumed great proportions.

It immediately became a serious aid to the scientific research under water, assumed a military value as the nucleus for instructors for "frogmen" if ever the need arose, and proved without peer in certain rescue and recovery operations, outmoding in speed and efficiency orthodox diving.

The whole secret of the club's capabilities is the Propulse underwater breathing apparatus—an Australian version of the aqua-lung—which allows a diver to move freely underwater without the hampering necessities of air and lift lines of orthodox diving.

Designed to provide a regular supply of air to a diver's lungs while underwater, the Propulse is basically a cylinder containing 2,000 pounds of compressed air. This air is composed of approximately 70 per cent nitrogen and 21 per cent oxygen.

### UNHAMPERED

With a Propulse apparatus strapped to his back, it's easy for a man to move unhampered along the ocean floor 100 feet or more below the surface. World record for free swimming "skin" diving is 390 feet. This was established by Frenchman Michel Fargues who perished at this depth.

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## British Cooking Not So Bad

### London.

People used to frighten lovely Jean Gilbert with stories about British cooking.

"They drown their vegetables," she was told.

"They slice roast beef with a razor."

"They pour a gluey substance which they call custard over stewed fruit."

"They fry bread in bacon fat for breakfast."

"Their coffee makes wonderful polish for brown shoes."

Miss Gilbert, official taster for the Diner's Club, wondered whether she could get insurance on her palate and digestion before coming here.

Today she said she had to admit it was mostly untrue.

There is a lot of bad cooking in Britain, but on the average no more than you might find in the United States or anywhere else Miss Gilbert has exercised her talented taste buds,

### WONDERFUL MEALS

"And I have had some wonderful meals," said Miss Gilbert, who used to be a starlet in Hollywood and still looks more like a kitten than a business woman.

"Look at my hips," she said.

"An inch I've gained," she clucked. "That proves how good some of the food is that I've eaten because usually I just sample dishes rather than polish the plate."

Miss Gilbert said she found a few items she does not intend to add to her own cuisine, thank you—jellied eels, for one and wrinkles and cocktails for another.

These are strong sex food favourites with the British working class. And she is less than a fan for fruit in "custard."

### DELICIOUS FISH

"But they have some of the most delicious fish in the world—especially grilled Dover sole," she said, "and prime Scottish beefsteak is heavenly—when you can get it. The British are beginning to adopt more foreign dishes and the higher-priced London restaurants are more cosmopolitan than British."

Miss Gilbert said the local "souffle" ice cream was excellent but she had run into few other really native dishes except Lancashire hot pot (a slow) which she liked and Cornish pasties (meat pies) which she didn't.

"It looks to me," she concluded in the mild southern drawl which has enchanted the British, "that good restaurants all over the world cook pretty much the same general dishes with only occasional native concoction thrown in... Dear, look at my hips!"—United Press.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Who's been chewing on my hockey stick?"

## Chinese Version Of Hamlet

Hollywood. Hollywood today boasts a hamlet who recites "Alas, poor Yorick" in a Chinese accent while gazing at a tin can instead of a skull. This latest fan of Shakespeare is out to prove his belief that the words of the bard are not necessarily reserved for actors such as Richard Burton and Laurence Olivier.

Chinese actor H. T. Tsang is presenting his version of Hamlet, Chinese style, in this town of individualists.

This "Hamlet" has a definite oriental flavour.

Tsang rings bells, as in the Chinese theatre, to mark the beginnings of scenes. For the duelling scenes he flourishes a can and the tin can takes the place of a skull. "I use the can as symbolism," explained Tsang. "It would be easy to get a skull. But that would be 100 per cent reality."

"The actor must be creative. A true actor," he cried, "doesn't expect the props to do the acting for him."

### LOVES TO ACT

Tsang is unknown except on the streets of movieland, but in a way he is more of an actor than some of the big name thespians at the film factories. He loves to act.

He gets no pay for his "Hamlet." He stages free performances (but contributions from the small audiences are welcome) twice a week in a dance studio over a bus depot in Hollywood. Some days he travels to Pasadena to give his show in schools or hotel rooms.

Besides acting, he is his own press agent, ticket-taker, stage setter and prop boy. He wears a modern suit during the one-man drama. His "scenery" consists of a chair, curtains and a spotlight which he carries about in a battered suitcase. He works his movie extra to pay the rent.

When he's not acting, Tsang strides through newspaper offices, his long, black hair and gray overcoat flapping behind him, to drum up interest in his venture.

"I came here from China several years ago and attended college," he said. "Then I took up acting. It took me six months to learn 'Hamlet.'

"John Barrymore is the only 'Hamlet' who projected emotion. The rest, not right. Laurence Olivier? He plays himself, not 'Hamlet.' "—United Press.

### Population Note

New Britain, Conn. Dr John J. LaCava delivered 352 babies last year, an average of nearly one a day.—United Press.

## Lifts That Are Both Weird And Wonderful

Toronto. A "lift with a brain" untouched by human hands, made its debut here and braved new frontiers in the little-known intriguing history of vertical transportation.

This newest job decides how many people it will take on get them where they should go and even waits for the "forgotten man"—the guy who sees the doors close as he breaks into a run.

The radical departure from the prosaic lift most people bump into brought to light the world's scattered collection of elevator esoterica.

For example, there may be found:

A Czechoslovakian lift used as a company president's office. A Yugoslav slot-machine job that has to be paid to go up and comes down without you.

An Arabian contrivance outfitted like a harem, which travels only two storeys.

It's equipped with desk, telephones, filing cabinets and anything else needed. When he wants to see someone on another floor he simply pushes a button to warn the manager, who hurries to the lift to meet him.

Canada's biggest lift is in Toronto's Bank of Commerce, where cars travel 35 floors to a height of 468 feet.

The Bank of Commerce shares the All-Canadian lift speed record with the Sun Life Building in Montreal. They rip along at 800 feet per minute.

Canada's largest lift, at CPR pier in Vancouver, has a capacity of 40,000 pounds, measures 12'0" by 35' at the lift platform.—United Press.

The cars operate without the need of attendants. They are equipped with floor push buttons and at each stop, automatically open and close their doors and carry on.

They're actually forced automatically to make up for lost time. One that is late may be reversed before it reaches the top if there are no unanswered calls above. One that is late arriving at a lower terminal may have its waiting time reduced.

If a car is filled to capacity at a floor before its waiting time is up, it can leave immediately and another car will be dispatched electronically ahead of time to pick up the stragglers.

Australia's sovereignty claim applied to more than a million square miles of territory 100 fathoms (600 feet) under the sea with a boundary of between 15,000 and 20,000 miles. Its greatest area is off Darwin.

However, much of the continental shelf is in depth much less than the limit of 600 feet and thousands of square miles are within easy reach by free-swimming "skin-diving" with the aid of aqua-lungs.

The knowledge and experience of the Underwater Explorers' Club members may ultimately be turned to the means of mapping and surveying this strange new fantasy world of rare, unbelievable beauty where gravity's force appears to almost equal that of the ocean.—United Press.

One in the University of Toronto Medical Building ships up cadavers used in experiments.

More exotic types are found overseas. The system used by the late King Idris of Saudi Arabia boasted a two-story lift with seat cushions covered with green, gold and white satin and other trappings to match.

The high cost of electricity in Beira has forced the installation of self-serving lifts with coin slots. For one dinner (one-third of a cent) you can go up. It doesn't cost anything to come down because you have to walk. The elevator goes one way.

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HRH The Duchess of Kent, who is Colonel-in-Chief of the Dorset Regiment, inspecting the parade when she visited their Depot at Dorchester. The Duchess was presented with a regimental cap badge in diamonds and platinum with the Dorset ribbon in green enamel on gold. (Army News)



ROSARIA PRIMO DE RIVERA, 18-year-old niece of the Spanish Ambassador to London, is visiting Britain and staying with her uncle. She is accompanied by 24-year-old Maritina Montemeno, sister of the Marques de Alcantara, Second Secretary at the Embassy. Together these two lovely, dark-eyed girls are exploring London. (Express)



IN a £5-a-week bed and breakfast bed-sitter in Chelsea, home of London's artists, lives Pamela Drew, otherwise Lady Rathdonnell, sporting socialite, for the best part of the year. While in London, she refuses help from her husband and insists on earning her living as a painter. She is seen at work on her painting of the RAF Coronation Fly Past. (Express)



A girl who grew too tall for the Sadler's Wells Ballet, 21-year-old Jennifer Cornish is coming to Hongkong to open a ballet school. She started dancing at nine, but at 14 she was told she was too tall for the corps de ballet. So she went to Paris and Brussels, where she danced in cabaret and taught. (Express)



COLONEL Mary Railton, CBE, who has been appointed to be Director of the Women's Royal Army Corps with effect from September this year. She was born in 1906, and has risen from the ranks, having joined the FANY in 1938. (Army News)



AS Audrey Kenny, tall, slim, blonde model, she was often called "Britain's most photographed girl". As Audrey Hanson-Lawson, she was recently married to Mr Arthur Abeles at Caxton Hall, Westminster. He is Warner Brothers' chief in Britain. (Express)



SIXTY THOUSAND mullet were caught in one netting by local fishermen in Whitesand Bay, Sennen Cove, near Land's End — the biggest catch locally for nearly 20 years. Fishermen are seen working overtime to move the huge glistening mound of the fish to higher ground on the beach before the turn of the tide.

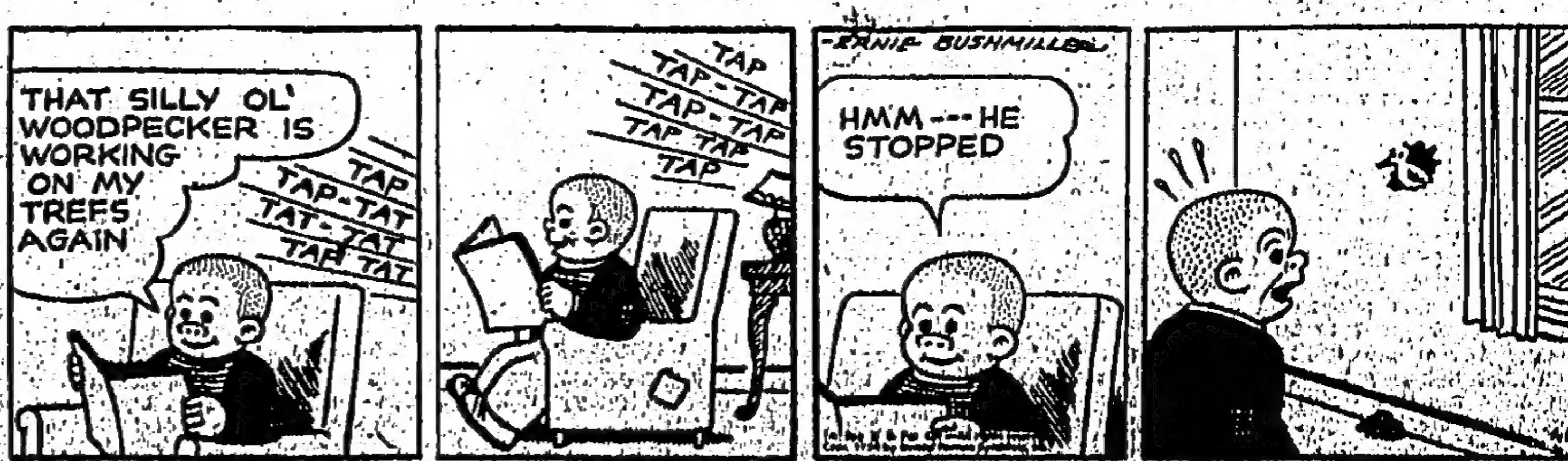


YOUNGEST jockey in Britain, 12-year-old Joshua Gifford rode at Lincoln a few days ago in his first race of the flat season. Here he is seen with his mount, "March 22." He had to get special permission to be absent from school. Joshua wants to take up riding as a profession. (Express)



MR. EAMON DE VALERA, former Prime Minister of Eire, made a five-minute speech in Irish at the silver jubilee dinner of the National University of Ireland Club in London. He is Chancellor of the University. He repeated most of the speech in English. Mr de Valera is shown sharing a joke with Mrs M. J. Howlett. (Express)

## NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

**BLACK MAGIC**  
PLAIN  
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"Mr. Billy Graham has told America that one in four first-born Britons are born out of wedlock, so Grandma insists that we find her birth certificate."

London Express Service

## CASE OF THE ODD-BABY-OUT

Madame Joye's dilemma came when she discovered that one of her twin sons had been switched at birth with another baby boy. Should she let things go on as before? Today she tells how she came to a decision and what happened . . .

by VICTOR PALMER

**T**HIS switching of babies at birth is a stock situation of melodrama, sometimes of farce. When it happens in real life it has the trappings of tragedy. Mothers in hospital who ask if it can happen are soon reassured. Each baby is marked at birth. A mistake is out of the question.

But in a hospital in the little Swiss town of Fribourg in 1941 the babies were not marked — only the cots. And in that hospital on June 4 three boys were born . . .

Madeleine Joye was told by a nurse that the midwife had made an error in recording the weight of one of her twin sons. He was 20 ounces heavier than the other, not the same weight. The card was altered.

Madeleine Joye took Paul and Philippe home to the modest house where she lived with her husband. The babies grew up. Philippe was small, self-sufficient, a little sad. Paul, the bigger of the two, developed into a vigorous, gay, passionate boy.

He had had a difficult baby-hood and perhaps for that reason, he became the favourite. But it was a devoted family.

Meanwhile, in a large flat at the other end of the town, in a German-speaking, rather richer household, little Ernstil lived with a reserved, aloof, but equally loving mother — the Madame X in Madeleine Joye's account of the ordeal which lay before them . . .

After the death of Monsieur X, the little boy became the widow's absorbing, only interest.

The paths of the two families had crossed only once, and then unknowingly, in the local hospital, on the night the three boys were born. They crossed

Charles, formerly Ernstil. This picture was taken shortly after he came to his new home. He was very unhappy.

After the birth, the twins were unloved, which meant they should be identical. As Philippe and Ernstil were.

Philippe had a malformation of the teeth. His frantic mother made an opportunity to inspect Ernstil's mouth. His teeth had the same abnormality.

It was not my son," said



PAUL AND PHILIPPE . . . Five and a half years old—together before it was suspected that they were not brothers.

But Madame X refused to submit her son to blood tests. The Joyes went to law, and obtained an order calling on Madame X to submit her son for examination.

The tests took place in Geneva in December. Laboratories in New York, London, Paris, Göttingen were consulted. It was a whole year after the Corpus Christi procession that the court in Fribourg re-assembled.

Blood tests, eye tests, measurements, skin grafting—all were conclusive. There remained no single loophole. On June 11, 1948, the Judge issued an order for Paul and Ernstil to be exchanged.

Nineteen days were to elapse before the process of the law was carried out.

At 2.0 p.m. on July 1 a car with a nurse drove up to the house of the Joyes. Another was at Madame X's flat. Paul was sent off with his clothes and toys to find the mother he had never met. Only the crumpled pyjamas he had worn on that last night were left behind.

When Ernstil arrived, he was reserved and polite. He thought he had come to spend the summer holidays.

That night there were more complaints from Madame X.

But perhaps she was right. Perhaps a clear break was better for all their sakes.

They went to the mountains and for the whole of the time it rained. They explained to him the circumstances of his birth. But he still called his new mother, his true mother, Madame Joye, and made it clear that he expected to return home.

Only when the holiday was over did he understand the secret corner of a cupboard.



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Madeleine Joye (arrows), 10c.

## FIVE NATIONS HAVE SOUGHT THIS ISLAND'S TREASURE

By JACK SENN

**N**ORTH of Australia's coral reefed Torres Strait, 150 miles wide, lies New Guinea. Shaped like some strange bird, its plumage is exotic — dripping jungles and towering mountains, palm trees, orchids and tropical lianas.

The island's snakes, insects, leeches and head-hunters might have been enough to warn off trespassers.

Yet the last fifty years have seen four nations struggle to gain possession of it.

A fifth enters the lists. Indonesia wants to take Holland's place. At UNO she is claiming the island as part of the legacy of independence.

At the turn of the century, New Guinea fell into the hands of an expanding Germany. Few then guessed what really lay hidden under New Guinea's jungle blanket.

Some believed that the island was part of a lost

continent which cradled civilisation; others that it held hidden, deserted cities like Indo-China's Angkor Wat.

A few, following the tale of an ancient Indian tablet, thought that a people lost there had invented the aeronautics centuries ago.

Again, others believing a sixteenth century Spanish sea captain, Alvaro Saavedra, who called it the Golden Isle, bluntly spoke of gold.

The Australians, after capturing the island from the Germans in 1914, were given its trusteeship in 1920.

It was then that the first effective contact with the inhabitants was made.

The tribesmen who came to meet the Australians were friendly, but they were to learn later that others cherished more ominous ideas in the jungle.

### Not Backward

QUICKLY, the Australians found that they were not as backward as imagined.

Their first shock came when the islanders refused salt as money; they were extracting their own from salt springs.

In other ways, they were progressive too.

In their villages were elaborate systems of sunken roads. These served for transport, for carrying off rainwater or as moats for protecting their sweet potato crops from ravaging pigs.

And the people were careful about their appearance. Wig-making was an important part of everyday life.

Such a people, the Australians believed, would at least know where gold existed. And they did.

They asserted gold glittered on the sands at the headwaters of the Markham and Bulolo rivers. But that was as far as their services went.

Australians who attempted the venture singly through the jungle were never heard of again. Only armed groups were safe from bandits and head-hunters.

### Old Hands

BUT in 1921 three old hands, Mat Crowe, Arthur Darling and "Sharkey" Park, who had hidden in the Marobe Ranges during the German occupation, pretending to shoot birds of paradise, found the islanders' treasure.

They tried to keep it secret but whispers went round that "Sharkey" was on "good gold." It was only a matter of time before the world knew of it. Soon fortune hunters arrived in hundreds.

But the rush could not beat the steaming jungle and the bitter cold mountains. Supplies were limited. Big-scale mining was impossible. At one stage dentistry halved the population.

Many despaired and turned back.

Then former District Officer J. Levien, tough and experienced, came on the scene—and put the island amongst the world's gold-producing countries.

Through his efforts, mines like Eddie Creek were developed to show, in places, £200 to the yard. He introduced modern techniques, so that today gold mined by seventeen companies forms one of New Guinea's main exports.

But Levien himself had died in Melbourne before his venture showed profits.

### Green Hell

IN 1942 the Japanese occupation turned this legend island into a green hell for Allied troops.

Apart from its strategic value, why did Japan want New Guinea? Was it its gold, its timber, copper or rubber? Or like Walter Raleigh's El Dorado, was it a blind speculation?

The answer came five years later when J. Day, when the territory was divided between Holland and Australia,

news broke that promised to turn Papuan ports like Port Moresby into boom towns.

Two hundred miles west of Port Moresby, where aimless anonymous rivers wander through the jungle, prospectors had noted surface scopages and gas bubbles.

They spotted the dark, opalescent scum which thickens around lily pads and water weeds.

Here the smell of rotting vegetation gave way to the cloying reek of crude petroleum which seeped upwards from oil-soaked mudstone.

Low flying planes photographed the tracts.

It was not long before modern equipment—from re-cotulane planes to steel hammers—was flown from Australia to hastily laid runways nearby. And with their mosaic pictures, scientists sat out on foot for the oil sites.

### Producing Oil

AT first, their camps were so inaccessible that planes parachuted supplies to them.

Later, waterways were cleared of sunken trees and mesh-like reefs to allow the passage of boats.

When camps were established, the oilmen set off dynamite charges and recorded the shock waves which cut through the earth. Experimental drilling was carried out where the engineers thought oil might lie.

Two sites in the Papuan Gulf are now producing oil. Four others are being developed.

Whether these also will be oil winners, the scientists cannot say. Only drilling can prove this. Sometimes the effort is abandoned after months of toil. At Karavia, the ground was probed to 12,000 feet without result.

Nor is that the end of the story. New Guinea's 1,200,000 men, women and children are being led toward the day when they will be able to enjoy the rich fruits of their island and guide its destiny.

While pump jacks for oil and miners dig for gold, the Australian Government is busy teaching the Melanesians to farm, to read and to write—and to govern.

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## A NEW SHERLOCK HOLMES STORY STARTS TODAY

**O**n glancing through my notes, I find it recorded that the night of November 10 saw the first heavy blizzard of the winter of 1886.

The day had been dark and cold with a bitter searching wind that moaned against the windows and, as the early dusk deepened into night, the street lamps glimmering through the gloom of Baker Street, disclosed the first flurries of snow and sleet swirling along the empty glistening pavements.

Scarcely three weeks had passed since my friend Sherlock Holmes and I had returned from Dartmoor on the conclusion of that singular case, the details of which I have recorded elsewhere under the name of the Hound of the Baskervilles and, though several inquirers had been brought to my friend's notice since that time, none was of a nature to appeal either to his love of the bizarre or to challenge that unique combination of logic and deduction which depended for its inspiration upon the intricacies of the problem which lay before it.

A merry fire was crackling in the grate, and as I leaned back in my chair and let my eyes wander about the untidy corners of our sitting-room I had to admit that the wildness of the night and the rattle of the sleet upon the window panes served merely to increase my own sense of contentment.

On the far side of the fireplace Sherlock Holmes was curled up in his armchair, languidly turning over the pages of a black index book marked "B" in which he had just completed certain entries under "Baskerville," and giving vent to occasional chuckles and ejaculations as his eyes wandered over the names and notes covering every page of the volume.

I had flung down *The Lancet* with some idea of encouraging my friend to touch upon one or two of the names which were strange to me when beneath the sobbing of the wind, my ears caught the faint sound of the door-bell.

"You have a visitor," I said.

"Surely a client, Watson?" Holmes replied, leaning aside his book.

"And on urgent business," he added, with a glance at the rattling window

paces. "These inclement nights are invariably the herald of—" His words were interrupted by a rush of feet on the staircase; the door was burst open and our visitor stumbled into the room.

He was a short, stout man, wrapped up in a dripping mackintosh cape and wearing a bowler hat tied under his chin by a woolen muffler. Holmes

friend said thoughtfully, "When the butler from some wealthy household rushes on the spur of the moment through a snow-storm in order to tell someone on my humble carpet, I am tempted to visualize some affair of greater moment than a broken umbrella."

"My dear Holmes!"

"I would stake a guinea that there is a livery beneath that

## The Adventure of the Abbas Ruby

by ADRIAN CONAN DOYLE

had tilted the lampshade, so that overcoat. Ah, did I not say so!" "Even so, I do not see how you surmised it not the wealthy household."

Holmes picked up the limp hands. "You will observe that the pads of both thumbs are darkened, Watson. In a man of sedentary type, I know of only one occupation that will account for this equality of discolouration. The man pollishes silver with his thumbs."

"Come, now, give me the facts," Sherlock Holmes enjoined after a moment.

"My name is Andrew Jolliffe," began our visitor more calmly, "and for the past two years I have been employed as butler to Sir John and Lady Doverton at Manchester Square."

"Sir John Dovertont, the horticulturalist?"

"Yes, sir. Indeed, there's them that say that his flowers, and especially his famous red camellias, mean more to Sir

John than even the Abbas Ruby and all his other family treasures. I take it you know about the ruby, sir?"

"I know of its existence. But tell me in your own words."

"Well, it makes one frightened just to look at it. Like a big drop of blood it is, with a touch of devil's fire smouldering in its heart. In two years I had seen it only once, for Sir John keeps it in the safe in his bedroom locked up like some deadly poisonous creature that shouldn't even know the light of day. Tonight, however, I saw it for the second time. It was just after dinner, when one of our guests, Captain Masterman, suggested to Sir John that he should show the Abbas Ruby—"

"One moment," interrupted Holmes. "When were they seen last?"

"I saw them at four, and as her ladyship picked one shortly before dinner, they were there about eight o'clock. But the flowers are of no matter, Mr Holmes. It's the ruby!"

"Ah!"

The man clapped his hands to his head. "Rest awhile!" he cried wildly. "My God, sir, they must be after me already!"

"Who must be after you?"

"The police, Sir John, all of them! The Abbas Ruby has been stolen!" The words rose almost to a shriek. My friend leaned forward and placed his

hands on the man's shoulders.

"What do you make of him, Watson?" he asked.

"He has had a severe shock," he replied. "From his appearance, he seems a comfortable, respectable person of the grocer class and doubtless we will find out more about him when he has recovered."

"Tut, tut, that we might venture a little further," my friend said.

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"The camellias had gone."

"Then let us judge for ourselves," smiled Mrs Dunbar, and Sir John went upstairs and brought down the jewel-case. As he opened it on the table and they all crowded round, her ladyship told me to light the lamps in the conservatory as they would be coming shortly to see the red camellias. But there were no red camellias."

"I waited for no more, sir, but telling Rogers the footman that if anybody wanted me then they would find me with Mr Sherlock Holmes, I ran here through the snow, believing from all I've heard that you will not think it beneath you to save from injustice one who has already paid his debt to Society. You are my only hope, sir, and—My God, I knew it!"

The door had flown open and a tall fair-haired man, wrapped in the carps in a snow-powdered cap, strode into the room.

"Ah, Gregson, we were expecting you."

"No doubt, Mr Holmes," replied Inspector Gregson drily. "Well, this is our man and so we'll be getting along."

Our wretched client leaped to his feet. "But I'm innocent! I never touched it!" he wailed.

The police agent smiled sourly, and drawing from his pocket a flat box, he shook it under his prisoner's nose.

"God save us, it's the jewel-case!" gasped Jolliffe.

"There, he admits it! Where was it found, you say? It was found where you put it, my man, under your matress."

Jolliffe's face had turned the colour of ashes. "But I never touched it," he repeated dully.

"One moment, Gregson," interposed Holmes. "Am I to understand that you have the Abbas Ruby?"

"No," he replied, "the case was empty. But it cannot be far, and Sir John is offering a reward of five thousand pounds."

"May I see the case? Thank you. Dear me, what a sorry sight. The lock unbroken but the hinges smashed. Flesh-coloured velvet. But surely—"

"It was set in a carved gold locket and chain. But oh, Mr Holmes—"

"Rest assured I will do my best for you, Well, Gregson, we will detain you no longer."

The Scotland Yard man snapped a pair of handcuffs on our unhappy visitor and a moment later the door had closed behind them.

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The Adventure of the Abbas Ruby will be continued on Monday.

OUR visitor leaned forward in his chair.

WHIPPING out his lens, Holmes laid the jewel-case beneath the reading lamp and examined it closely. "Most interesting," he said at length. "By the way, Jolliffe, was the ruby mounted?"

"It was set in a carved gold locket and chain. But oh, Mr Holmes—"

"Rest assured I will do my best for you, Well, Gregson, we will detain you no longer."

The man buried his face in his hands. "I'm glad you know, Sir," he muttered at last. "But as God is my Judge I've kept straight since I came out three years

ago."

Friends out shopping speak in hushed tones, and the buses and cars, the vans and coaches, the bicycles even, slip by as if they, too, were bating their breath.

It is unpardonable to sound a horn in London except on strongest provocation, even in areas where it is legal. And even when it is vital to use this last resort, the result is not the gay flourish, the trumpet-like call, or the cheery toot-toot of other cities. It is an impatient, little chord expressing annoyance at having to commit such a social error.

There, the conversational pell-mell makes not even a chink against the rock as it falls to rest 'in granite gloom.'

The gloom, of course, is the fabled English reserve—but the butt of humorists, the despair of friends.

And those who underscore the carriage's stony silence note, too, that London seems a chilly city to its strangers. In public, its nine millions seem to walk huddled up tight as in its vast cathedral.

Into Piccadilly Circus, heart of London, six streets empty. But, except for the hum of traffic, there is little other noise. Here in action, swift and steady, but somehow strangely muted.

The crowds in Oxford Street, London's great shopping centre, perhaps best illustrate the "quiet noise" of the world's largest city. Hurrying, they fill the pavements and spill precipitously into the roadway. But they are mostly silent.

The scurrying thousands look straight ahead and through each other with so many blind eyes. Galdon do people appear to meet a cherished friend. And if they do, few would dare to call out in recognition. For that would be like shouting in church.

They are sentimental over animals. A family of cats on a bombed site in the City receives a daily lunch basket from workmen on a nearby building.

The thunder of the train emerging from the tunnel dis-

tances the echoes. The crowd springs to life and surges towards the open doors. There is standing room only, and not much of that. Silently they file in end overflow down the passage ways. And there they stand and wait.

"Mi-the-dose" (Mind the doors) the guard calls, and the doors slide together. Sometimes a body is but half inside. Still wordless, those within squeeze tighter together or the guard lends a hand to ram in the human overflow a little further. "Mi-the-dose" again; the doors close, the train pulls out.

Each one is preoccupied—reading, knitting, staring. Even strap-hangers remain aloof from the neighbours who jostle them.

But are the English really so cold and indifferent? See the light that comes into their eyes when a woman enters the train with a small child—the friendly smile, the whispered remarks, all the overtures of friendliness, to the child.

No, the English are not really cold. In the dark of a cinema or theatre they can enjoy the most elusive joke, although their music hall humour is often intelligible only to themselves.

And now my own land will be strong after the silences of London—the pushyfooted pedestrians who stride along on rubber feet, they awaken the shades of their sleeping ancestors; the relentless traffic snarling like bees on a distant shore.

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## EDDIE CALVERT IS FED UP WITH 'OH MEIN PAPA'

By Rene MacColl

ALTHOUGH it has turned into an irresistible hit on both sides of the Atlantic, a wailing lament of a song entitled "Oh, Mein Papa" is not everybody's plate of syrup. Not, for example, MacColl. And not, more surprisingly, that of a 32-year-old walking success story from Preston, Lancashire, named Eddie ("Golden Lips") Calvert.

In 1943 he got to London, at £15 a week with the BBC Dance Orchestra. "Next I discovered the night clubs," murmur Eddie with an awfully awakened down the years. "You know, until then the word 'club' had only meant something like a slate club or a working-man's club to me. But suddenly....

Yes, suddenly the going got tougher and more hectic than ever. Up went the money—£18, £20, £30, £45 a week—but Eddie, in the 1944-5 period,

sometimes found himself playing in four different night clubs every night.

## MARRIAGE

ONE of these jobs was crisply terminated when Eddie bopped the manager on the nose.

The manager had reprimanded him for taking a drink with a guest in the bar. "I saw this lovely girl on the dance floor," says Eddie, "and gave her the bandsman's glad eye. Got it right back, too, so I asked her to have a drink."

A few months later they were married, and today chic and pretty Josephine Calvert, formerly the chief cashier in a movie chain, is Eddie's elder manager—and you couldn't have a shrewder.

In those days, when the war was ending, Eddie was beginning to get recording dates, and doing the odd broadcast with bands like Maurice Winnell's, Joe Loss's, and Harry Roy's. Then he was with Geraldine's Orchestra, but "one day I realised there was no future in just playing in other people's bands. So I started my own and practically starved through 1946."

The tide turned—but it was a long, long job, believe me." Eddie crashed variety, and began making more and more records.

## SUCCESS

THEN, last July, Eddie recorded "Mystery Street"—with just another tune on the back. That tune on the back caught on in Britain; faded; became hit in America, and is now high in our hit parade.

Now fortune is soaring to High C for Eddie Calvert and his 18-carat golden trumpet. In America they offered him \$3,500 dollars (£2,250) for a three-minute spot on TV. He couldn't say yes because of some shemozzle with the musicians' union, but he expects this to be cleared up soon and is probably headed for Hollywood.

"But, as for 'Oh, Mein Papa,' I'm fed up with hearing the darn thing," says Eddie. "It's like having a six-inch nail jammed through my head."

We left the restaurant and strolled round to Eddie's modest walk-up flat, just off Charing Cross Road.

On the way we stopped to buy his recording of "O.M.P." It is the only one of his records that he does not keep proudly at home. "Couldn't bear to, to Rene, but I do want you to hear 'Mystery Street' on the back—I mean front."

## UPROAR

IN the living-room of the flat we quickly achieved uproar. From the gramophone came Eddie's rendition of "Mystery Street," followed by his newest number, "Midnight."

The telephone and front door bells were going. Eddie and Josephine were carrying on a conversation about business, and Eddie's dog was barking happily.

"Do you blame me for having a nervous breakdown?" asked Eddie, smiling broadly. "But, you know, I do feel I'm helping to educate the people in this country with my playing."

"Educating them?" I queried. "Yes, educating them to buy more records."

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THE NEW POWERS surging up in Germany prompt an investigation by a man who knows the Germans well... and raise a disturbing question

# How dead is Hitler?

SEFTON DELMER

**A**RAD GODESBERG. GENERAL was the first to make the request. "Please don't mention my name," he said to me. "If you do I shall be on the boycott list."

"Industrial firms will refuse to have anything to do with me if my views become known. Government agencies will give me no orders. My business will be ruined."

That does not sound very courageous I agree—particularly from a holder of the Knight's Cross and one of the most distinguished younger officers of Hitler's General Staff.

But it is a sentiment that I have had to hear with increasing frequency from Germans.

## Portents

THEY are afraid of the new clandestine discipline that the German militarist machine is once more beginning to impose, even before its revival has been officially authorised by the Allies.

Yes, here I am, barely nine years after Hitler's suicide and militarist Germany's catastrophic collapse. And I am finding many of the same disturbing symptoms and portents I had to report before Hitler took power.

Under the mantle of innocent Chancellor Adenauer, many of the same tendencies appear to be developing which, in the pre-war days of the equally innocent Foreign Minister Stresemann and, later, Chancellor Bruening, foreshadowed the coming of Hitler.

Look at the patriotic hue and cry now launched to throw out the "traitors and collaborators" from the Civil Service, from the newspapers and news agencies and radio.

Who are these traitors and collaborators? Opportunists who fawned on Hitler in the days of his power and helped him to reduce Germany and half Europe to ruins? No.

On the contrary. They are the anti-Nazi.

First and foremost among them are the emigres—Germans who had escaped abroad before or during the war.

## Pretexts

THESE men joined in the fight against Hitler during the war and won the confidence of the Allies. When VE Day came we brought them back to Germany and installed them as key men in the new democratic machine that was being built up.

Our intention was that they should be a guarantee against the revival of Hitlerism and militarism. Now all kinds of pretexts are being put forward for their



has returned, nine years after the war, on a special mission to a reviving Germany. Nine years after The Other War—in 1927—he was in Berlin too. THEN, he reported the symptoms before Hitler took power. TODAY, he assesses the parallel portents.

removal. Anything goes, from inefficiency to alleged membership of the Communist underground.\*

Also due for removal in this new purge are men with a genuine record of anti-Hitler resistance during the July 20 bomb conspiracy of 1944—and men who gave unfavourable evidence against German war criminals at their trials.

Former German officials dismissed or imprisoned by Hitler for anti-Nazi activities are by law entitled to rehabilitation, compensation, and reinstatement as far as possible.

## Dossier

I have part of the confidential dossier concerning a former Prussian police officer who was imprisoned by Hitler, and then, after his release, went abroad as an instructor for the Chinese Army.

"By helping the Chinese to fight the Japanese," says the confidential report of a German

These ex-soldier associations were rightly forbidden by the Allies under this pact because of the immense share the associations had in the rise of Hitler and the growth of militarism.

And here they are again flagrantly in power. They meet in vast public assemblies, are



general who sits on the reinstatement committee, "this man kept the Japanese from attacking Soviet Russia and helping the German Army in its struggle. As a soldier I deplore the conduct of contributing to Hitler's disaster."

Don't tell me that these cases, of which I could give so many more examples, are merely a healthy symptom of reviving Germany's national self-confidence, essential if this great soldier-nation is to help the West put up an effective barrier to Soviet imperialism.

I say they are a sign that—**1** THE RUSH to rearm Germany, prompted by the war in Korea, has already given

addressed by Ministers of the Adenauer Government in fiery speeches containing all the dangerous chauvinistic ingredients beloved of military propagandists here from the Kaiser's day to Hitler.

The army has its special ex-Servicemen's regimental associations; so have the air force and the navy. Even the S.S. has its own associations.

They are openly allowed to bear Nazi names like "Parachute Army Corps Hermann Goering," "Destroyer Squadron Horst Wessel," "Fighter Grenadier Division," and even "Führer Bodyguard Division."

\* ALLEGED members of an anti-Hitler Communist organisation called "The Red Chapel" is in charge. Being trumped up for the trial, the North-West German Minister of State Control, Professor Adolf Grimmel, one of his leading spokesmen, was opposed under British

and guided by the new Adenauer "War Ministry" of Herr Theodor Blank.

Many of their propaganda lines are reminiscent of Goebbels. "In Stalingrad our troops defended not only Germany but Europe," they preach. The restoration of the great Germany of the Hitler era is demanded by them.

They claim that Germany is entitled to the leadership of Europe, and promise that she will obtain it with her armies.

## Nazi Views

BUT then, what is surprising in such language from newspapers when the Cabinet itself contains men like Communications Minister Herr Seehofer, recently in London? He has publicly proclaimed such Nazi militarist views as:

1. "The German East . . . not only includes the Elbe and the Oder, but also Bohemia and all territories in which Germans once were settled."

2. "In 1945 only the German Army, but not the German people, capitulated."

NOW, you are most likely asking what it was that German general told me.

HE gave me details about the secret organisation which is the main fundamental of this German military revival.

OF THAT, and its clandestine masters, I will tell you in my article on Monday.

—(London Express Service)

# TITO'S BLUE NOSES KILL THE FUN

By JOHN WREN

TITO'S bluenoses are almost always in action—killing fun. The Yugoslavs are great ones for fun. Take four Yugoslavs, two bottles of wine, one accordion—and you have a party which will finish up two dozen strong over a breakfast of eggs, raw garlic and plum brandy!

The Yugoslav Communist Party, however, inevitably disapproves of such "bourgeois" merrymaking. A good Communist should be at home reading up on Karl Marx.

Bolgrad's only real night spot, the "Boem," was shut down because the club "threatened peace and order and public morale." I can speak about the Club "Boem"—from personal experience. The "Boem" was a well-conducted club used by foreign diplomats, businessmen and newspapermen. It was shut because many Yugoslavs, fed up to the teeth with Tito's Communism, used also to flock to the "Boem"—to relax and forget.

After a couple of drinks, with the orchestra playing loud enough to prevent eavesdropping, they would tell foreigners their true feelings about the Tito regime.

I myself have been accused of obtaining information—which varied from the Party's official propaganda—from "cafes and bars."

DO not think from this, however, that the top Communist bosses do not have fun. Tito has taken over the whole of a beautiful Adriatic island, Brioni, as a champagne-and-caviare holiday camp for his Communist allies.

Before the war, Brioni was a millionaire's playground, smarter than Capri or the Côte d'Azur.

Yachts of princes, tycoons, movie stars sailed to this three-mile long dream island of luxury hotels, polo fields, tennis courts and golf courses, hunting estates and November bathing.

Today Tito, his young wife Yolanda, his regime's elite, and a few favoured "under-

standing" foreigners have the island all to themselves.

The cream of the Tito regime feed on the Adriatic's famous huge lobsters. Champagne cork pop, orchestras play, as the Communist high-ups dance with their shapely, dark-haired "secretaries."

IN the Balkans street names are changed more often than the French Government. In Belgrade all streets named after Marshal Tito and top Communists have been renamed.

Before the war, many streets were named after the popular Yugoslav royal family and democratic leaders. Came the Nazis and the street names were changed. Adolf, Goering, and the rest of the boys had their names on the street corners.

Came Tito and the streets took a Russian tinge. Joe Stalin ousted Adolf. After the break with Stalin, the streets were named after Tito's own ruling Communists.

Today further changes. Why? The rugged Serbs, who use a colourful, Elizabethan language, had a way of showing their disapproval of the Communist bosses through street names.

"Where do you live?" "On that beastly Rankovic Street."

"Where are you going?" "Down that unspeakable Djilas Avenue."

Rankovic and Djilas are two of the most hated Communist leaders.

HUNDREDS of Yugoslavs are divorcing their wives—then continuing to live with them. How comes? To encourage embittered Yugoslav farmers to produce more, a law allows a farmer to regain 25 acres of previously owned land which the Communists confiscated in 1945.

If you divorce your wife she can also have her land ration, making a workable farm of 50 acres. The Yugoslav Communist Party is out to stop this "racket."

Divorce in Titoland, incidentally, is merely a matter of a few minutes' formal filling—and paying several shillings for a government stamp.

## WHAT MAKES THIS PICTURE—

# IRRESISTIBLE?

THE CHAPMAN PINCHER COLUMN reports:

## The same secret decides how you feel about these



PEKE suddenly. BORZOI in ruse.

## A robin sees red . . .

• SIMILAR "releasers" of automatic behaviour are well known in the animal world. The sight of the red breast of a robin or even a handful of red feathers will make another robin attack on sight. The hunched silhouette of any hawk immediately makes ground birds cover.

• TOY manufacturers have found that the way to sell a doll is to enlarge all baby features.

• THE SUCCESS of Walt Disney cartoons like "Bambi" or "Dumbo" is largely due to Disney's genius for exaggerating the babyish look of animals.

Now, a point of support for Lorenz, from my own experience—I have noticed that few baby-faced men stay bachelors.

Maybe the man with the up-curving forehead, the snub nose, and rounded features rouses the maternal instincts of women more than most of us.

I must admit, though, that my lengthy nose, canted forehead, and thin features have afforded no protection from matrimony.

## One man-power

• PEOPLE who do their hiking in big hobnailed boots make their pleasure needlessly tiring. An extra pound of weight on your feet fatigues you more than 10lb. on your back. German Professor Erich Müller has found.

The professor, who studies how the human body can be made to work more efficiently, has been lecturing in British scientific and doctors' Sample quotes:

• ANIMALS with a similar pattern of features release the same sort of protective feeling from human beings.

The snub-nose and puffed-out cheeks of the Pekingese make thousands of women want to cuddle it. They may admire the long, aristocratic muzzle of the Borzoi, but few want to hug it.

We all warm towards a robin, or to any other perky bird with a little beak. But nobody feels such affection for a long-nosed bird like a crow or starling.

• THE strongest human body cannot work at much more than one-tenth of one horse power...

• WHEN the average man is using a spade in the garden his body is working with an effi-



clency of only six percent . . . Surveys have produced no convincing evidence that the power of such a picture—the power of ANY young child—to make the world seem a better place? Today the scientists give a provocative answer.

## Not 'special'

• MORE than 1,500,000 Britons have peptic ulcer—the joint name for duodenal and stomach ulcers—or have had one, according to Dr F. Avery Jones, of Middlesex Hospital, London, W.

It is three times commoner in men than in women.

Professional people are not

more prone to duodenal as is

commonly believed, he finds.

## Out in space

★ A FOUR-YEAR-OLD BOY

put his head inside a plastic space helmet, believing he was going on a magic journey to the moon. When he woke up he found that a surgeon had taken off his tonsils.

gas, is a new American gadget

for getting children into the operating theatre without fear.

So tiresome

★ QUOTE FROM MY FAVOURITE G.M.: "By the time you are rich enough to sleep late you are so old you always wake up early."



By Frank Robbins

...this situation calls for a

San Miguel

# WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

## Why Smart Girls Turn Out To Be Dowdy Wives

WHY do so many smart girls become dowdy and dull after they are married?

The drab wife is the one with too little money.

It's natural for a woman to like looking her best. There are few things she enjoys better than a shopping expedition for a spring hat, or the tonic of a new hairdo or lipstick.

But not everyone will admit that. Here, for instance, is the Rev. C. W. H. Lemon, vicar of St. Thomas's, York, with a different view.

"Girls before marriage are smart," he writes in his church magazine, "but sometimes, having got their men, they get slack." He then explains: "Men don't say an awful lot, but I suspect that may account for their going off with their men friends a little too often."

You are wrong, Mr. Lemon. The wives are not slack; they are hard-up. And if half the money spent by husbands with their men friends was put on feminine backs, instead of down masculine throats, wives would look attractive enough to keep the old man at home.

### ALLOWANCE

Too few husbands give their wives a fixed dress allowance, however small.

And all too often the lavish spender of the honeymoon rapidly becomes the close-fisted husband.

I know that many family budgets are strained these days. Even so, I still say it is essential for a woman to have her own regular allowance for pocket-money and clothes even if it is only a few shillings.

**AND THIS SHOULD NOT BE ANYTHING THAT SHE CAN SAVE ON THE HOUSEKEEPING MONEY**, which is a lowering of human dignity. Besides, with most household budgets already overstrained, there would be a constant feeling of guilt in robbing it.

A pathetic letter is lying on my desk. The writer is the wife of a man who is fairly comfortably off. He has a good car, smokes a lot, and drinks with his friends most evenings.

### THE CONSEQUENCE

She writes: "This is the cause of the majority of divorce cases. The poor wife is not allowed enough money to dress herself in order to keep up her pre-marriage attractive appearance. She becomes shabby and depressed, and consequently not very pleasant person to live with. So the husband looks for a more attractive female for sympathy and companionship..."

This one disillusioned woman echoes the heartaches of many. But she has young children, so cannot go out to work herself. "A labourer is worthy of his hire," we read in the Bible.

And few housewives have the chance to stick today. A recent American survey reports that the average woman cooks 1,005 meals a year, spends 650 hours cleaning, 312 hours on laundry and 26 hours mending.

She fully earns the right to a small regular income of her own.

And she should have a say in deciding what is fair after rent and household expenses are deducted.

— Eileen Ascrott



This is the kind of dress that is worth a fortune in the Unhappiness Business—the dress trade—today.

In cornflower blue silk and white muslin, it has been copied in London and New York.

And that sailor-collar trick, reported all over the world when it first appeared, is ripe for mass-production.

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## The Royal Milliner Adds A South Sea Tang To His Latest Creations

By DOROTHY BARKLEY

London.

WITH the Queen absent in Australia two milliners, who fashion hats for royalty, turned their thoughts to styles for other customers.

One of the milliners was Kate Day, who soon celebrates her third anniversary as designer for the Queen.

Kate Day goes in for small hats, either bonnets or boaters, and hangs them seen there these days.

with lemons, plums, blackberries and fruit blossoms. Usually there's just one fruit to each hat, but for a special Easter bonnet she breaks the rule and masses the fruits and flowers together.

She shows one big picture hat, of the style which flourished at pre-war Asco.

It is still called an "Asco" hat, but is rarely

seen there these days.

This is Kate Day's favourite style, but she does not expect to sell many today. There's no room for them in the low modern sports cars, and she finds that women prefer small hats they can wear in all weathers.

Last year's "umbrella" Ascot thoroughly dampened women's enthusiasm for picture hats, and this lone model in Kate Day's collection is a souvenir of the past rather than a portent of the future.

### NEW STRAWS

The second royal milliner to show his collection was Aage Thaarup, the Dane who has made hats for the Queen for many years and for the Queen Mother since the early 1930's.

At the moment he is on a trip to Australia and New Zealand and has obviously sent back first-hand information to his London staff. His new hats have a South Seas tang.

To conjure up the colours of Tonga, he shows a small straw hat with a yellow thatcher of golden pineapples and a purple straw hat with a pink-green pineapples.

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Hollywood.

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And they let their fans know about the change.

Jane Powell is one actress who is proud of her artificially-coloured tresses, and says every other woman should be happy about dyed-hair. "Everybody's doing it," said Jane. "The only thing you can do wrong is to over-blanch." Many other stars openly dye their hair. Marilyn Monroe was a "diamond blonde" for a recent

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### \* The story of a revolution that affects every woman's wardrobe \*

## A New Set-up In The 'Unhappy Business'

IT took a fortune, a war, 15 years to change one question... a question a woman asks another when she sees her in a dress she likes. Fifteen years ago a woman used to ask: "Where did you get it?" Today she asks: "Which make is it?"

The story that bridges the gap between is the unrecorded history of a revolution in the dress business—a revolution that threw up a new boss, a new ruling class, new slogans, a new set-up; and left its trail of victims by the wayside.

Before it happened a dress manufacturer was a little man with six dresses over his arm... The label he stitched into the coat he had made was ripped out by the shops... The clothes he made had to be what the shops told him to make.

### His label

Today a dress manufacturer is a plushy individual sitting comfortably in a new Rolls.

HE decides what he will offer the stores.

HIS label in the coat is what women pay for.

HE is the new boss—and the business he is in has rocketed to a turnover of more than 250 million a year.

How did it happen?

Once upon a time—remember?—clothes were scarce and rationed. The stores were frantic for more to sell.

And the manufacturers, promising to do their best, saw their chance to move up from modest little tailors to big business tycoons.

The dress manufacturers began to build up their names... on poster sites, in mystery magazines, in newspapers, in slogans: "Look your best in Windsmoor"; "It's a dream Small world"; "Derets—the Label of distinction."

### Bigger... smaller

The name of the firm which made the dress got bigger and bigger, while the name of the store where you could buy it drifted further and further into the background.

It was a shrewd move—and how it paid off!

Today there are only three top fashion stores in London which can still afford to rip out the manufacturer's name and put in their own... Today the British dress trade is the second largest in the world.

"We're in the Unhappiness Business," they say in the new play about the dress business. "We want to make a woman feel unhappy every time she opens her wardrobe."

### The new boss

No one knows the Unhappiness Business better than the man who has made women feel dissatisfied with their wardrobes seven times in seven years—Christian Dior (as Robb's drawings show).

He is hauling in the money on a scale unprecedented even in Paris, because he is the only

designer who manages to keep on his side both sets of powerful clients—the rich, private clients who buy his dresses to wear and the rich manufacturers who buy them to mass-produce.

To manufacturers Dior gives quick-changing lines; to the others, the best cutting in Paris.

### Prestige for sale

"One-third of the dresses I make are sold to private clients in Paris," Dior said. "One-third are for private clients in the rest of the world; and one-third are for dress manufacturers." His distinguished clients give him enormous prestige—and he sells the prestige (as well as his designs) to the dress manufacturers—for a price £120 for a cotton pattern of a suit, or £200 for a simple evening dress, or £400 for an elaborate one.

But when the manufacturers have copied it at mass-production level, it gives them the right to say: "This is a copy of Dior."

And my, how the pride of those magic words will sell an Englishwoman anything from a hatbox to a bottle of perfume! At twice the price she would be willing to pay for it without the name—so if your diet is bad,

2. Grapes—always given to invalids—are in fact the fruit with the lowest vitamin content. Best, in order of merit, are blackcurrants, strawberries, tomatoes, oranges, apricots, bananas and citrus fruits.

3. We mustn't be snooty about margarine. It would be a great mistake if people gave up eating it when butter is plentiful, because margarine is rich in vitamins.

4. Fresh cooking is by far the best way to preserve the vitamins in food. Experts have proved that the cooking oil is "Hibiscus," the nutritional value of the food is decreased.

5. If we want to keep a healthy, balanced stomach, it is important to eat the right kinds of food. For instance, we should eat more fruit, vegetables, wholemeal bread, etc., and less meat, fat, sugar, salt, etc.

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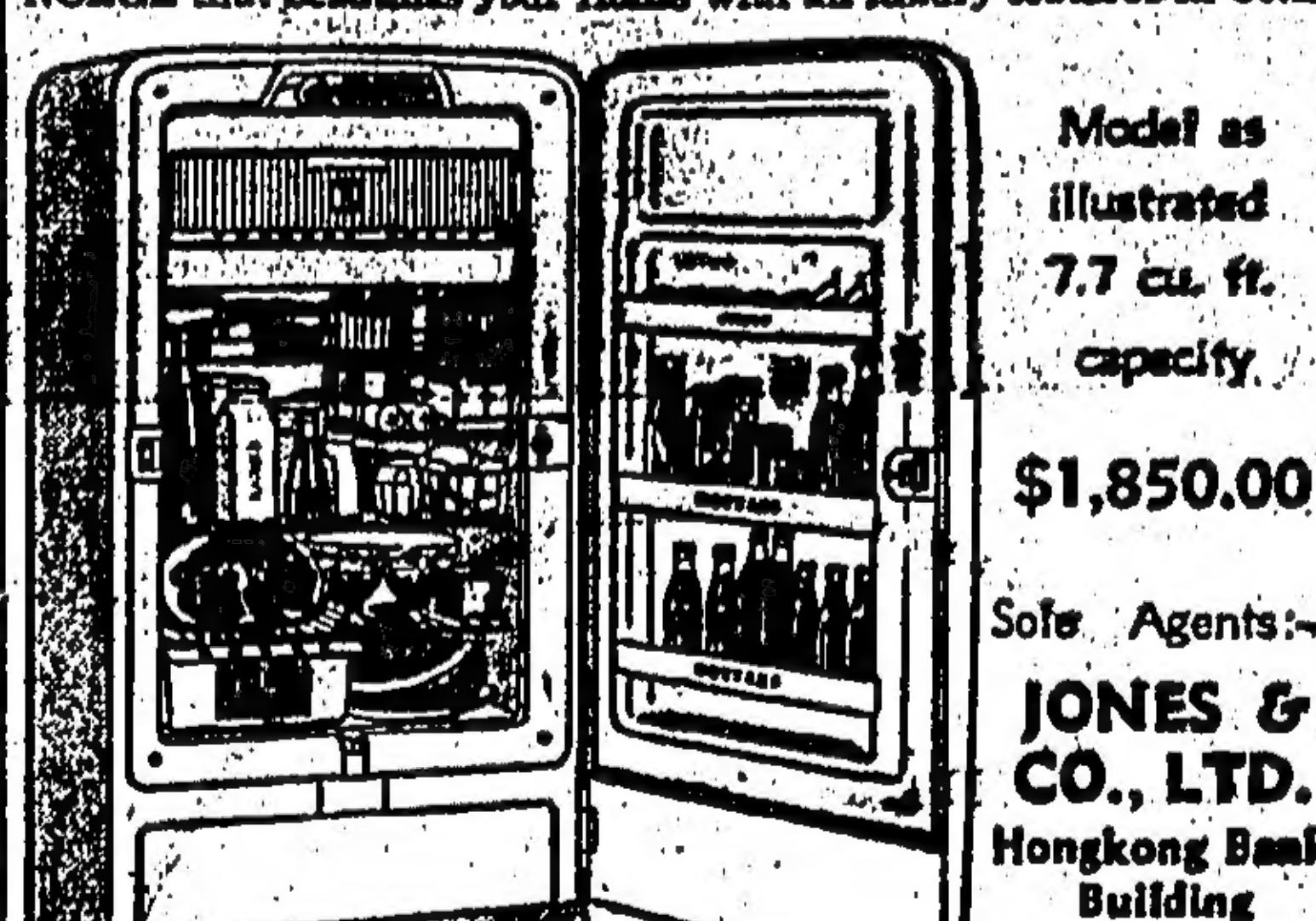


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THE Hongkong Regiment had the honour to mount guard at Government House last week-end. It was the first time that any Volunteer unit had done so. The guard comprised Sgt Leung Chung-yeo, L/Cpl Liu Kin-ming, Ptes W. L. Stone, Yip Chi-wan and H. S. Lapsley and Drummer Chan Yu-yan. They are seen marching up Garden Road to Government House. (Staff Photographer)



DR Tudor Thomas, President of the British Medical Association, seen at the dinner party given in his honour by the Hongkong Chinese Medical Association. With Dr Thomas are Dr C. W. Lam and Dr Raymond Mok. (Staff Photographer)



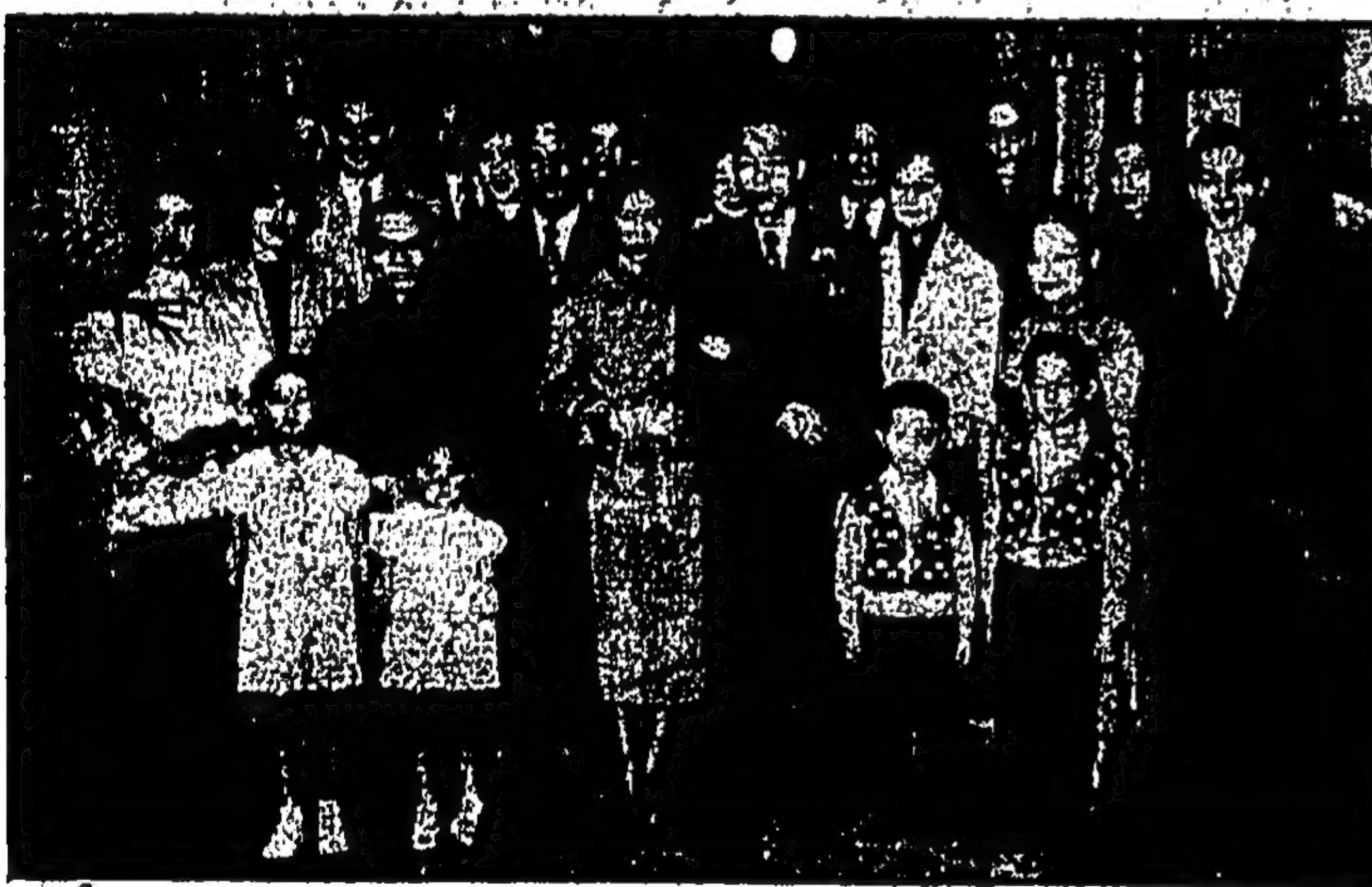
MRS Arthur Woo presenting trophies at the conclusion of the annual Girl Guide competition rally at King's Park last Saturday. The 6th Kowloon (Maryknoll) Company won the shield. (Staff Photographer)



THE Colleens ladies' softball team, this season's League champions, celebrated their victory at a dinner at the China Restaurant on Tuesday evening. Seated fourth from left is the team manager, Mr Fred Ewins. (Willie's)



AT THE annual dinner of the Diocesan School Old Boys Association. On the right is Mr Cheung U-pui, who succeeds Mr Wong Ka-tsuen (centre) as President. With them is the Hon. Kwok Chan. (Staff Photographer)



RIGHT: Mr U Sze-wing presenting billiards and snooker prizes at the annual meeting of the Sports Club. Mr E. A. V. Remedios is receiving a prize on behalf of Mr George Hardoon, snooker runner-up. (Staff Photographer)



DANCING in progress at the Hongkong Real Club's end of season gathering at the Peninsula Hotel last week. (Staff Photographer)

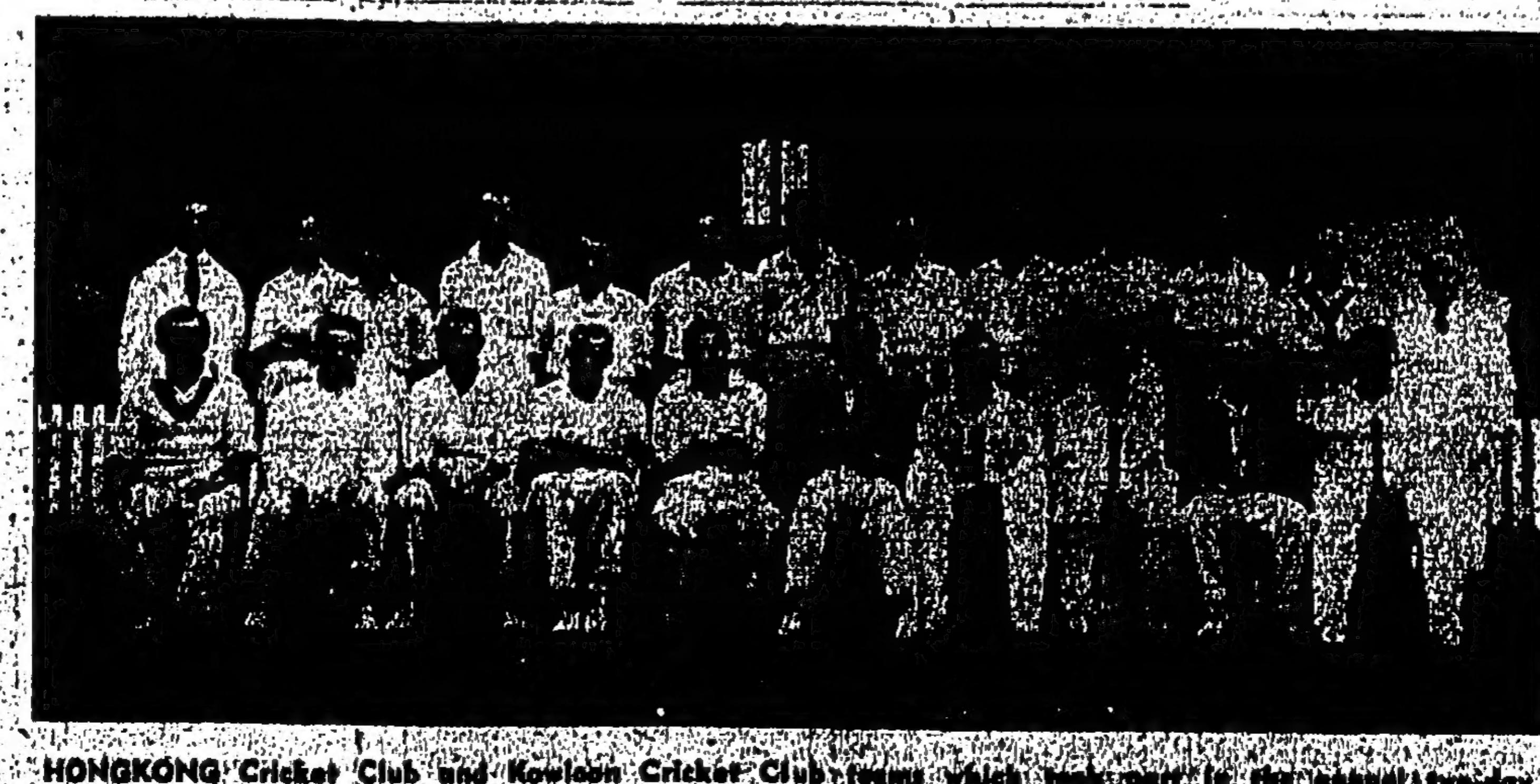
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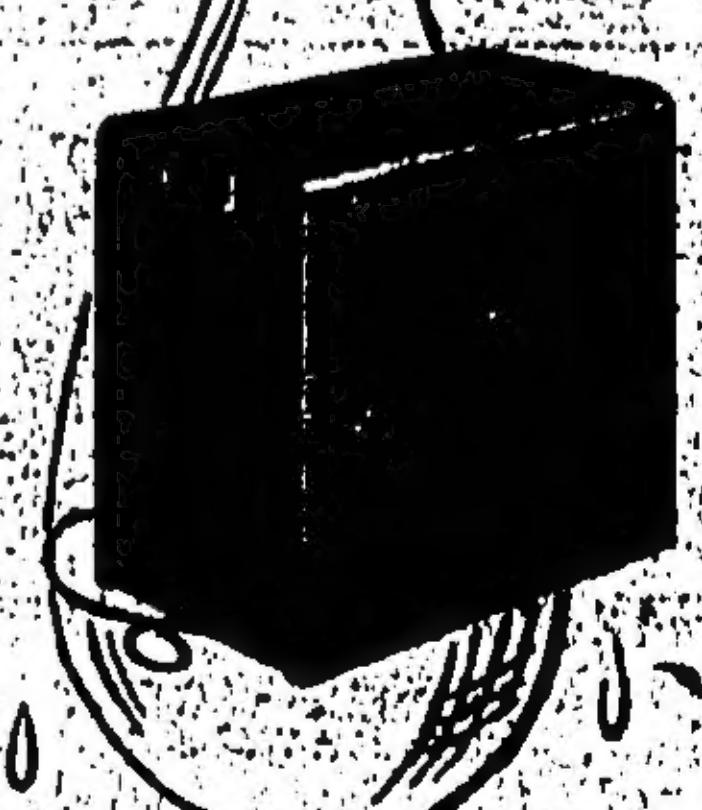
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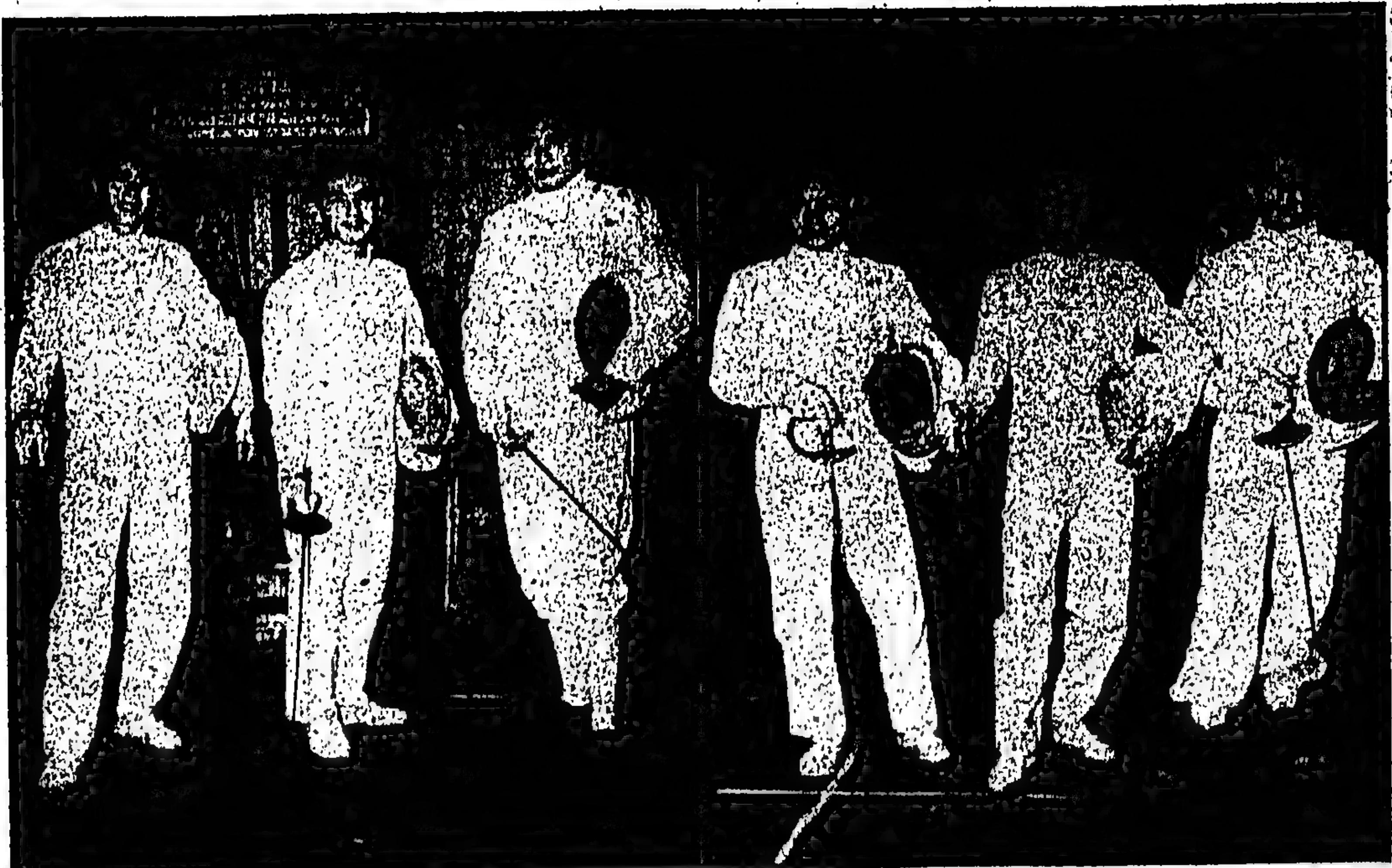
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SUCCESSFUL contestants in the Colony Junior fencing championships. Picture on the left shows the Foil winners. From right: George Wu (1), A. Lam (2) and Hung Hak-to (3). Picture on right shows the Sabre winners. From right: Sgt B. Day (1), Hung Hak-to (2) and Frankie Fung (3). George Wu won the Epee. Wu and Hung were together named Junior Champions-at-Arms. (Staff Photographer)



WINNERS of the Governor's Cup last Sunday: the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation fencers, together with team officials. (Staff Photographer)



MRS R. B. Black, wife of the Colonial Secretary (second from right), accompanied by Miss Dorothy Lee, Principal Youth Welfare Officer of the Social Welfare Office, snapped on her visit to the Precious Blood Orphanage at Shamshui Po on Tuesday. (Staff Photographer)



PICTURE taken after the christening of Sherry Linda, second daughter of Mr and Mrs C. L. Salter, at the Union Church last Saturday. (Golden Studio)



TRIPLE baptism at the new Chapel of the Maryknoll Convent of Noelle, Cecile and Elizabeth Lou, daughters of Dr T. J. Lou. Mr and Mrs G. Volckaert were the godparents.

AT the annual fair of St Teresa's Church last Sunday, Little Dennis da Motta has good fortune at the lucky dip, as his mother, Mrs J. A. da Motta, looks on. (Staff Photographer)

RIGHT: At the dinner given by the Chinese Manufacturers' Union on Thursday to the Hon. R. B. Black, Colonial Secretary, and the Hon. A. G. Clarke, Financial Secretary. From left: Mr U. Tat-chee, Mr Black, Mr Hui Ngok, Mr Clarke and Mr C. L. Hsu. (Staff Photographer)



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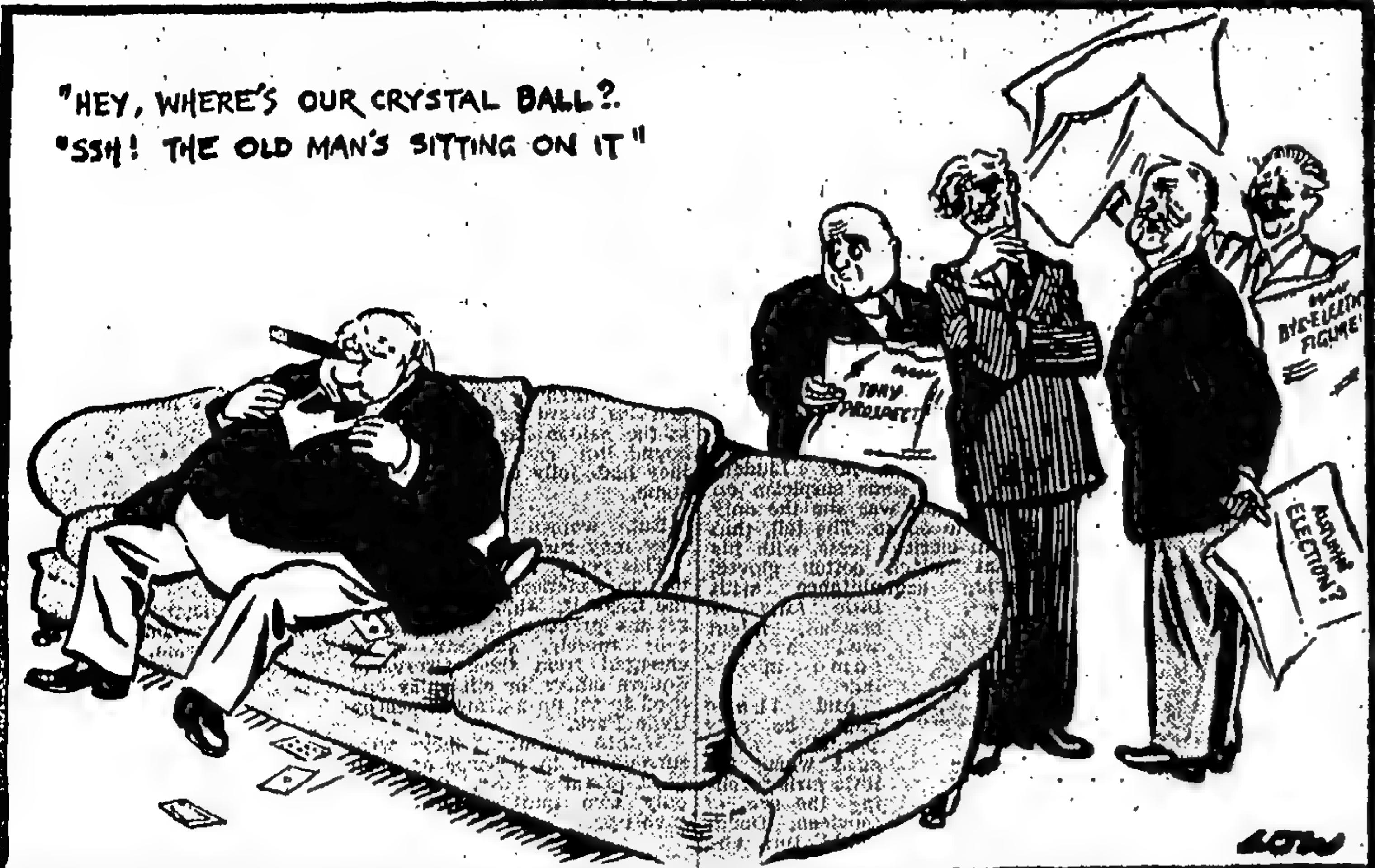
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THE OUTLOOK FOR SIGNS AND OMENS

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## STOP WORRYING! KEEP FIT THE CAREFREE WAY

By DR A. CHESBY

I had been a hard day. I put the car away, savagely, went in and took an indigestion tablet. "It's these blinking beacons," I thought. "They worry me." And, as my inward seething ceased, I had the answer to a considerable puzzle.

The puzzle: Why is it that, with all the wonder drugs, hospitals and doctors' surgeries are overflowing with customers?

Answer: WORRY.

It is an important observation.

I thought I would check up on it in the latest medical tome, but it was not listed in the index.

Before the war the universal tonic was a booster, some-

thing to pep the patient up. Today the corresponding requirement is a sedative, to calm folk down.

In such a little while trivial, silly worry has grown into a calamity. It is a hard word, but that is its 1954 rating.

Make no mistake. During the last few years worry has become a major industry. It has grown really menacing, for it can magnify little, unimportant symptoms into real illness.

It can cause high blood pressure, coronary thrombosis, neuralgias, with a host of other miseries. Yet it is still only silly worry.

See how it snowballs. An old-fashioned look from your boss and sleep goes haywire for a night or two.

### About Sleep

That is itself, in nothing. But then you start to worry about not sleeping. Now you have got something to be concerned about, especially when some know-all mentions the word 'insomnia.'

Up goes the sale of phenobarbital and down goes your personal stock of ginger.

Say you have a touch of indigestion, as I had. That is a local chemical upset and any one of 14 remedies will fix it. But, if you are that sort of goose, you can worry about your middle bits until you have a full blown ulcer.

Then it is not funny. You have worried yourself into a tiresome illness and, if you do not take a hint, there is a surgeon waiting for you. It is worth while to understand how worry works. The brain is the field-marshal commanding your body. It has a system of signals, probably electrical in nature, through which it works.

That is how the body is instantly mobilised for emergencies. That is how natural functions are controlled.

The more the brain takes of us, the more amazing. If you have a painful pleurisy it immediately organises quick, shallow breathing, to keep the pain down as much as possible.

### Short Circuit

Further information places the trouble on, say, the left. The brain puts an overload on to the right lung, and orders a go-slow for the left side.

That is why a doctor looks carefully at the chest he is examining, to see if both sides move equally. If they do not, he has an immediate clue to your illness.

You get excited and your heart goes off at the gallop. The brain has ordered that, to give you higher compression.

But, when the emergency is over, down comes a slow-march order and your heart beat is back to normal. For the brain has an accelerating and retarding mechanism, just like a watch.

Naturally, such machinery is delicate. One thing it cannot abide is a short circuit. And that is how worry works, piping off vital forces, creating a shortage for essential services.

I do not allow worry into my mind. But how is such a habit of mind induced?

At the back of every worry there is a problem. I deliberately refuse to allow my conscious mind to deal with difficulties. The conundrum is then passed over to my subconscious mind, which never rests.

### Big Cheat

It may be a few hours or a few days, but the right answer to my trouble duly arrives in my mind. There is a dividing line in every tiresome situation. You can cross to the other side and worry, or you can sit on the near side and wait for the solution.

We all have trouble, and difficulties minus worry do not harm us. But difficulties plus worry spell illness.

How can we strip worry from trouble? The answer is common to us all. Worry is just a big cheat growing larger with every step taken in retreat.

Cheat it out and it shrinks to nothing. Go boldly up to it and stare at it until it vanishes. Banks and income-tax cheaps are great purveyors of worry. Go along and see the high price himself.

He may have been writing you, the cigarette sort of letters. He may show you sheets of incomprehensible figures ticked out in red ink.

But once you are in his glossy office you will find that his black coat and striped trousers conceal a human being anxious to help.

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## A CIVIL WAR RAGES IN BRITAIN TODAY

By Beverley Baxter

London.  
It may not be so recorded in history, but at the present time there is a civil war raging in Britain. Fortunately it is not a war of slaughter and violent death, but there are heavy casualties just the same.

The struggle is a three-cornered one in which allies are apt to fire on each other. But even so there is no doubt which is the aggressor or how dire the consequences if it achieves a decisive victory over its opponents.

Let us come to the point. The aggressor is television—the allies are the living theatre and the cinema. And if any one doubts that General Sherman was right when he said that war was hell, let him talk first to the hard-pressed garrisons of the living theatre.

The current Rodgers and Hammerstein hit on Broadway ("Me and Juliet") there is a song which has this as its refrain.

"The theatre is dying  
The theatre is practically dead."

Capacity audiences loudly applaud the number, and if any further encouragement were needed Doctor Hammerstein and Doctor Rodgers can look just across the road where "The King and I" is still drawing the town.

The theatre has been dying for centuries, but its final demise is always postponed by the arrival at the bedside of a Shakespeare, an Irving, a Barrymore, a Shaw or a Gilbert complete with Sullivan.

### IT SURVIVED

When the first sleeker pictures appeared, the living theatre shook almost as violently as the characters on the screen. Here was a form of entertainment which could not only undersell the theatre but bring outstanding world stars to your neighbourhood. Thus the people in the suburbs would no longer converge on the centre but take their pleasures nearer home.

However, the theatre still had a monopoly of the human voice, whereas the twittering shadows on the screen could make no sound at all. So the theatre survived round one.

Then came the "talkies." I can remember going to the first showing of this miracle in London. Most of the film was still silent, but there was a sequence where Al Jolson not only spoke but sang. "It will hurt the silent film," was the general verdict, "but on the other hand this bastard product, although it will not bury the ear, will kill the art of film on which films are based."

Whereupon the scientists continued to improve matters until the silent film stole away into an obscurity from which it would never emerge again and the talkies were in complete control.

At that point the knees of the theatrical magnates knocked so hard together that they sounded like coconuts in a gale. Sound had been satisfactorily added to and there was no doubt Guildford, Canterbury, Oxford, Cambridge, with colonies, maybe—was identifying that his industry

dyed words and say: "Good for a dramatist could write vantage on television as serious night sweat theatre, and flights for a limited intellectual public and especially intimate drama. Comedy needs the laughter of an audience, which cannot be supplied by two or three people in the small towns. But let there be no mistake about it, the kingdom of the theatre was shrinking and the process could never be reversed. More and more it centred in the metropolis and in the lesser cities to the picture palaces that showed the same array of stars in New York and London."

When I was a young fellow in Toronto we had five theatres, the Princess, the Toronto Opera House, the Royal Alexandra, Shad's and a burlesque house called, I think, the Star or the Gailey—or both. At the Princess or the Royal Alexandra I saw Bernhardt, Forbes-Robertson, Robert Loraine, while my brain was fired with the flaming genius of Shakespeare, the stimulus of Shaw and the perfumed wit of Oscar Wilde. But those were the years of darkness before Hollywood had extended its frontiers of culture.

### CHALLENGE

NOW the Royal Alexandra remains alone in its glory save for some brave minor league attempts at neighbourhood repertory theatre. But not even the setting up of a Stratford Theatre in Ontario, to challenge the supremacy of the Memorial Theatre at Stratford-upon-Avon, can alter the fact that in Canada the theatre has shrunk like a raisin from its pre-cinema days.

However, conquerors beget conquerors, and the kingdom of the cinema was eventually challenged by television. What price glory now? The film, which had taken so much away from the theatre, was going to feed with a screen in your own home. No wonder Louis B. Mayer and his fellow magnates muttered "Night of Blucher!" But in their hearts they did not believe that either could save them.

So we come back to our argument. Against the proponents of all the gothamists, it is not the cinema that is suffering most from the onslaught of television. I repeat that, unfortunately, it is the live theatre which is bleeding alarmingly from its wounds.

The cinema can command the sea, the skies, the town and the desert for its settings to a story. The live theatre can only offer a couple of changes of scene at most, and usually there is no change at all. Therefore, television can approximate the stage of the normal theatre, even in its failures.

Galsworthy was half succeeding in his attempt to use the theatre as a medium for awakening the sluggish social conscience of the nation. An incandescent young rascal called Noel Coward was pestering management to put on any one of the many plays which he had written. Freddie Lonsdale had struck gold with his comedies even in his failures.

Somerset Maugham may feel that the weight of years is heavy upon him, but he was lucky that his genius came to full tide in a period when the London theatre was vibrant, a new play, an event and television was a dream in a madman's head.

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What is more, the televiewers in their homes occupy the best seats from which they can see and hear everything clearly. They do not have to climb to the gallery and gaze at the distant stage or strain their ears for the last two or three words of every sentence.

They do not have to pay six pence or a shilling for a tiny programme which informs them that the part of Miss Smith is played by Miss Snooks and that the action takes place in the living room of Sir Alfred Shandy's country house. Nor for the last two or three words of every sentence.

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The Senator: Oh, you should. This might affect your whole industry. The Princess, as I understand it, smokes mild little cigar. You might put out also Havarti cigar which ladies could handle daintily.

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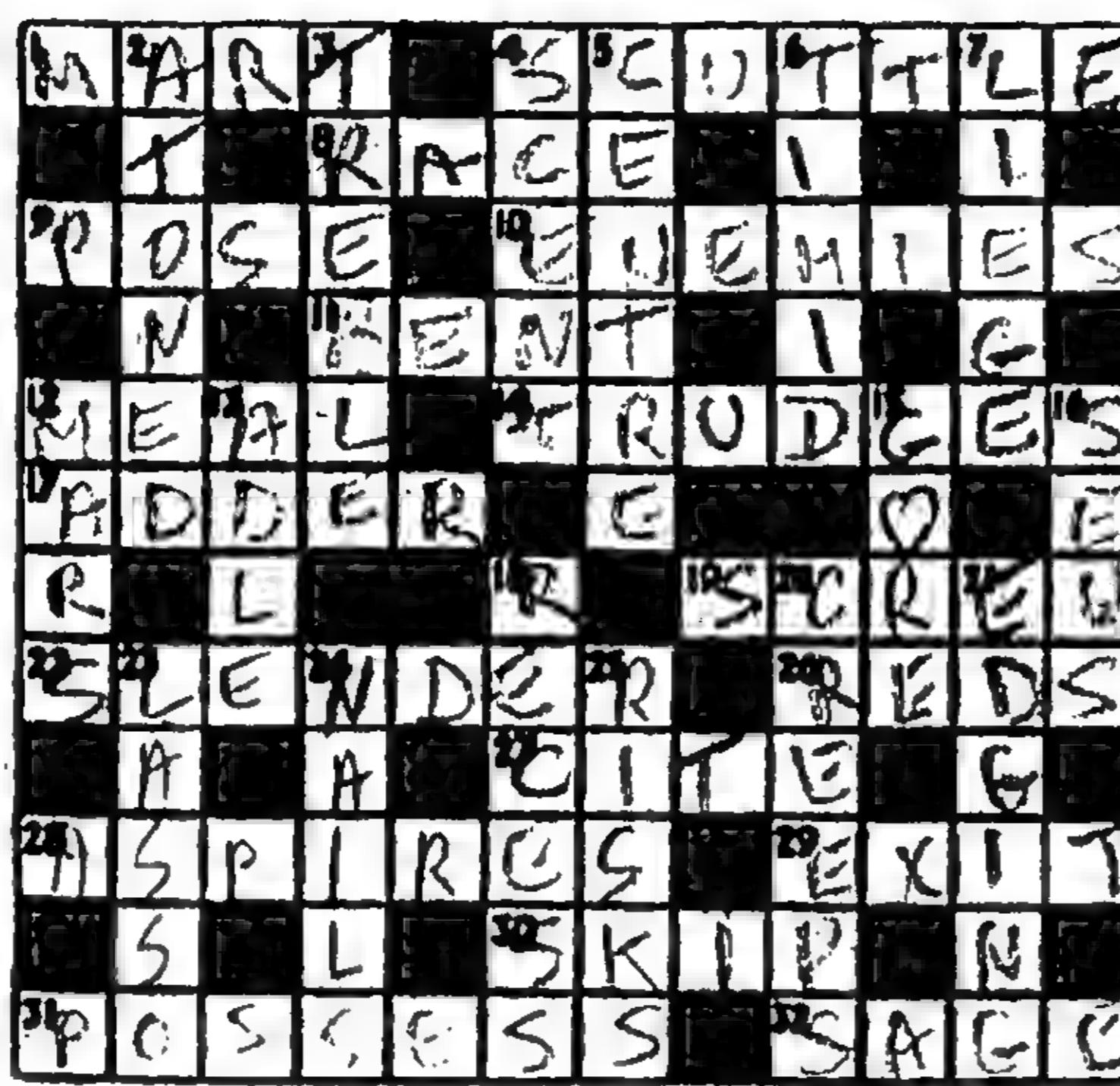
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ACROSS

- Crazy (4).
- Send to the bottom (7).
- Nation (4).
- Attitude (4).
- Foos (7).
- Crooked (4).
- Repart (4).
- Walks heavily (7).
- Snake (5).
- Twist (5).
- Slim (7).
- Communist (4).
- Quote (4).
- Aims high (7).
- Way out (4).
- Pass over (4).
- Own (7).
- Herb (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 1 Ardour, 5 Lunch, 8 Seven, 9 System, 10 Vigil, 11 Dopes, 12 Maul, 13 Roast, 16 Assent, 18 Decoy, 20 Great, 22 Mere, 23 Sings, 25 Curio, 29 Limpet, 27 Ended, 38 Bears, 29 Teased, Down: 1 Assuming, 2 Dissuade, 3 Used, 4 Remorse, 5 Leveret, 6 Union, 7 Cribs, 14 Attempts, 15 Talented, 16 Actions, 17 Singlet, 19 Easter, 21 Rouse, 24 Side.

DOWN

- Made reparation (6).
- Threefold (6).
- Aroma (5).
- Middle (6).
- Shy (5).
- Vassal (5).
- Disfigures (4).
- Tool (4).
- Blood (4).
- Stitches (4).
- Holiday (6).
- Cravals (6).
- Getting nearer (6).
- Rope (6).
- Fasteners (6).
- Hazards (6).

For the entertainment of his little friends, Dodgson immediately losing his stammer, became a magician capable of inventing endless games, tricks with paper, and stories. In short, he became the creator of Alice in Wonderland.

Alice, daughter of the Dean of Christ Church, was, as her photograph shows, one of the most charming children in Dodgson's gallery. When he met the child, he wrote in his diary,

the time.

Readers of his diary (of which four volumes have mysteriously disappeared) will think that, in a sense, Lewis Carroll was in the wrong house

And after the wedding?

Mary will go back to taking in washing.

Dodgson-Carroll was a mixed bag of eccentricities and talents; inventor of the "nyctograph"; device enabling one to write in the dark; the "Wonderland Postage Stamp Case" and a Rule for successful betting. His diary contains interesting, unguarded glimpses of a curious mind. It could, however, have been pruned of many entries that are merely trivial.

One afternoon, on being admitted to a house, Lewis Carroll dropped on hands and knees and entered a room from which a hubbub of voices proceeded. A conference of serious women were startled by this apparition; so was Carroll, who had been invited to a children's party and had arrived at the wrong house.

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## PARADE

**MARBLES** There's trouble in the marble world. The "world marble championship" is fought out every Good Friday on the Tinsley Green common, England. It has always been a decorous and gentlemanly affair.

Now it is threatened with the intrusion of a women's team from Yorkshire. The "British Marbles Board of Control" met in the saloon bar of the Greyhound Inn and told the ladies they had jolly well better stay home.

But, women being women, they may turn up after all.

This year, for the first time too, an American team will join the fray—if, that is, they can get any practice in. The Americans mostly, embassy types, emerged from their Grosvenor Square offices the other day and tried to set up a game in nearby Hyde Park.

Within minutes, they were surrounded by a horde of small boys. Minutes later, they had two marbles left. They gave up.

**AWFUL WEDDED WIFE** Retiring after 21 years as Superintendent Register of the Barton district of Lancashire is Daniel Casey, who says that by far the most remarkable change of the last 50 years is the number of people who now remarry after divorce.

Mr. Casey says that almost all the 7,000 couples he has married were impressed by the little homily he gave after the ceremony. He was unable, however, to do anything for the bridegroom who recently walked into his office and said: "Tha' tied me up w' a girl four years ago. It hasn't worked, so tha' mun' unto me."

He liked to remember the nervous groom who agreed to take the bride to be his "awful wedded wife," to which she retorted, "Tha' great gawp—walt till I get the whooom."

**SOMETHING OLD** Mary Booysen, African who started life as a slave, will get married next month.

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**EASY WAY** To help erring motorists to part with their money, a group of fully Toronto City Council is thinking of making it possible for them to pay their fines to pretty girls cashiers.

The system is already in use in Montreal, where fines can be paid to the girl cashiers in the banks. Sixty percent of Montreal fines are now paid through the banks.

**WATER DRUNK** Tax-pressed drinkers took heart this week. The medical journal, Lancet, reported that you can get drunk—even get the DT's—on WATER.

It only happens after operations. Water sometimes dilutes the blood stream. When it gets to the brain, the patient gets very drunk indeed.

**WHISTLE** "Jane Russell" and **CHARGE** appeared in a half-whistle (England) court last week—charged with poaching rabbits.

The magistrate and the police-fellows who know what Jane Russell and Marilyn Monroe look like. They suggested that the girls might like to give their real names—Thelma Page and Irene Taylor.

**HOME TREATMENT** Highly-paid psychiatrists may not have approved, but at least parents did. It confirmed what Father had in mind long ago.

It was the final opinion of Mrs Dorothy Jupp, of Brentford, Middlesex, who has just retired after fourteen years as a juvenile court magistrate.

Neither gangster films nor American comics make kids go wrong, she said. The remedy for incipient delinquency lay at home.

She added: "I have become convinced that the fault is usually with the parents. They should be stricter at home. A good spanking from father would probably keep a lot of children out of the courts."

**INVALID** In training for the 1956 Olympics (in Melbourne) is Murray Halberg, a 20-year-old New Zealand student teacher. Four years ago he was seriously injured in a football game. Doctors told him that he would only pull through if he avoided all strenuous activities and relegated himself to living as an invalid. Only a few weeks ago, however, the "invalid" ran the mile in 4 minutes 16.2 seconds before the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh at Dunedin. Now the "invalid" hopes to be the first man to run a 4-minute mile.

**BEDSIDE MANNER** To ensure that буд-MANNER during doctors' visits, the right "bedside manner," the Danish Medical Association is planning a scheme whereby all medical students who intend to become general practitioners will be apprenticed to "elderly doctors" and accompany them on their rounds.

**SLAVE TRADE** Following crop failures in Japan hundreds of families are once more selling their children into slavery at \$10 a child. The majority are girls of from 10 to 18 and a report by the Welfare Ministry discloses that children are being sold at the rate of nearly 2,000 a year through a system of child-traders. The girls become servants or "waltresses" in city cafes.

### • BARBS

BY HAL COCHRAN

**GIRLS** are naturally curious, says a teacher. Some, however, don't mind being kept in the dark.

A psychologist says one mind can affect another at a distance. Like, when you trump your partner's ace.

Many a man looks run-down because of the bills his wife runs up.

Some of the most comical comic strips will soon be parading on the beaches.

Any taxi driver could give you a list of people who have been driven to drink.

When fat friends seriously start down the road to thinness, it's a pleasure to watch them lose their weight.

A magician isn't the only one who produces things you haven't seen before. Think what some laundries bring back.

In spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to gasoline.

## WHAT WOULD FREUD HAVE THOUGHT OF MR. DODGSON?

The Diaries of Lewis Carroll.  
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**T**HE religious beliefs of Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, mathematical don at Christ Church, Ox-

ford, were serene but unconventional. In the end he might have subscribed to the 39 Articles and taken priest's orders (he was a deacon) if only he could have brought himself to renounce his clerical position for the theatre.

His idea of heaven was, at least, geometrically precise: a succession of planes of increasing bliss to which the righteous were progressively translated according to their merits. One of the celestial joys to which Dodgson especially looked forward was the solution of the mathematical problems of infinity. They had often perplexed him at Christ Church.

But probably heaven would not be quite itself for him without the companionship of small girl-angels to replace the little friends with whom he found his keenest happiness on earth—and the inspiration which made him Lewis Carroll.

Dodgson as a lecturer "unspoken dull, dry perfunctory." His sermons were troubled by a bad stammer. His crochety ways were the plague of college servants, his fellow dons and printers.

He disliked undergraduates, boys and babies. But he became another being in the presence of attractive little girls.

For them a cupboard in his room at Christ Church was kept filled with games, puzzles and mechanical toys. There was, too, a wardrobe of fancy clothes in which they could be photographed by their hosts, the greatest photographer of children of the nineteenth century. For their sake, he was willing even to tolerate their little brothers.

Dodgson-Carroll was a mixed bag of eccentricities and talents; inventor of the "nyctograph"; device enabling one to write in the dark; the "Wonderland Postage Stamp Case" and a Rule for successful betting. His diary contains interesting, unguarded glimpses of a curious mind. It could, however, have been pruned of many entries that are merely trivial.

One afternoon, on being admitted to a house, Lewis Carroll dropped on hands and knees and entered a room from which a hubbub of voices proceeded. A conference of serious women were startled by this apparition; so was Carroll, who had been invited to a children's party and had arrived at the wrong house.

Readers of his diary (of which four volumes have mysteriously disappeared) will think that, in a sense, Lewis Carroll was in the wrong house

And after the wedding?

Mary will go back to taking in washing.

### Plain And Fancy Fibbing

BY HARRY WEINERT





## THE CHINA MAIL'S WEEKEND LOCAL SPORTS PARADE

## COLONY BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS ARE HERE AGAIN

By "ARCONAUT"

The Colony Open Badminton Championships, which started with the Junior events last Thursday, are back again and promise another good series except for one disappointing feature which could be given special consideration by the Hongkong Badminton Association.

A good crowd gave the opening games at the Taikeo court on Thursday a rousing send-off. Pat Gardner and Mrs S. McColl and Brian Douglass and Mrs E. Gray failed to get through their first round in the Mixed Doubles, but must be highly complimented for participating in the Championships.

They at least brought the game to a balefully full of supporters and at least a few potential players among them.

The total number of entries for all the Junior events has been maintained at 91 and the standard is expected to be higher this year than in any previous season.

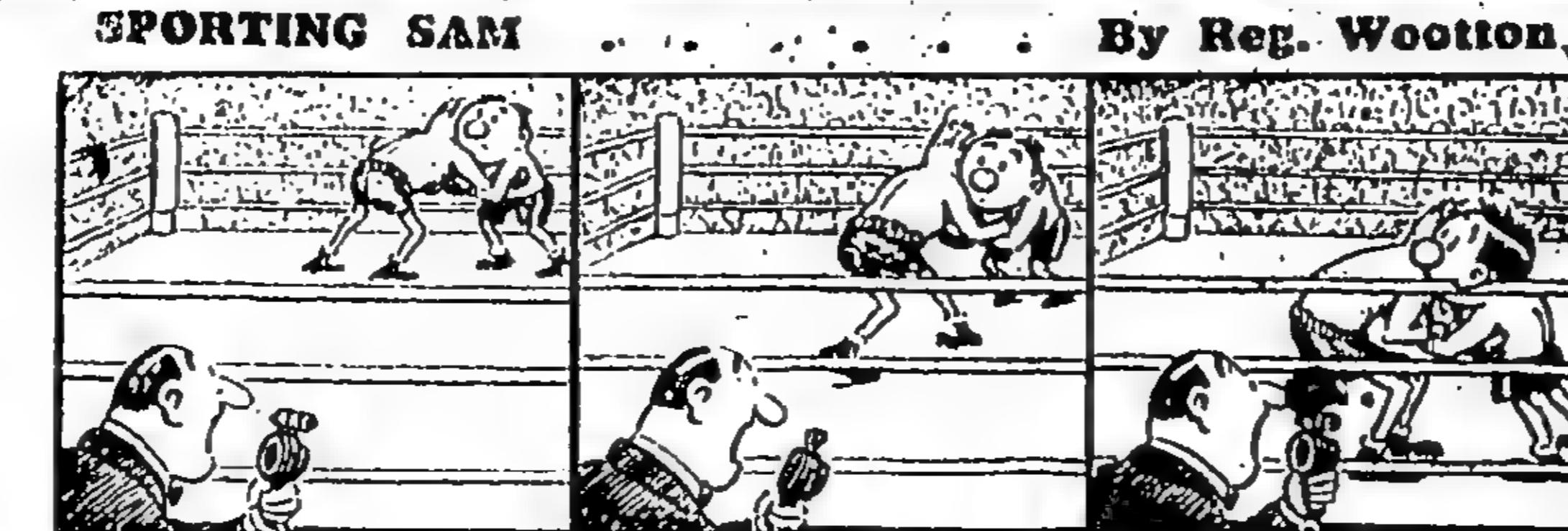
The big disappointment comes in the cancellation of the Junior Ladies' Singles event and in the small number of four entries in the Junior Ladies' Doubles.

No fewer than nine schoolgirls are participating: Mary Wong, Chen Yuen-yee, Diana Yung and Betty Yung.

Surprisingly enough the various clubs with lady playing members have not rallied sufficiently to the support.

The absence of a Ladies' League may have a great deal to do with the lukewarm interest shown by the Colony's lady players and to boost this interest a strong attempt should be made by the Association to run some sort of Ladies' League next season.

Ways and means of building up further interest in the game among the Colony's genuine shuttlers could be explored if the Association would appoint a Ladies' League sub-committee of one lady representative from each club.



## SATURDAY SOCCER SPOT

## GIVE THE SECOND DIVISION SIDES A CHANCE UNDER THE FLOODLIGHTS

Says I. M. MacTAVISH

It is a great pity that the initial wave of enthusiasm for floodlit football in Hongkong has temporarily waned. There is no doubt that there is a big public for this kind of soccer entertainment and it is a matter for some regret that this present lull has set in.

However, it must be realised that the teams who would prove to be the biggest attractions have been, and still are, submerged in a heavy programme of important games.

Nevertheless it seems that an been able to look up into the lights without being blinded. Success with floodlighting is really a case of trial and error, for it has already been clearly established that what is completely satisfactory in one ground does not meet the requirements of another.

The Club Stadium at Happy Valley, with its completely covered surroundings, is ideally set out for well spaced lighting and if, as I have heard suggested, the progressive Club officials are going to try out the transverse battery system, then I think we can look forward to big strides being made in floodlight football in the not too distant future.

In the meantime could not the present system be put to advantage by putting Tom Sneddon to work with coaching classes under the lights?

## A LESSON

A little incident which took place in the Governor's Cup game last week-end probably escaped the notice of almost everyone watching the game, but those who did notice it quickly appreciated its significance.

Many experts have been called in to give advice and a recent unofficial comment on progress says that one interesting suggestion is to provide lighting in huge batteries directly over the playing field.

In Glasgow the experiment is being carried out at Shawfield Stadium, the home of Clyde football Club, and there the work has been based on the earlier experience gathered from a study of the lighting installed in the greyhound racing track which runs round the soccer playing field.

When a full scale match was played there recently the general attitude was that the lighting system was the best that had so far been attempted and the specially selected players who had had experience of other systems said that this was the first time they had

(RAF), Lau Yee (South China), Tang Sum (KMB), Honniball (Sing Tao), Moi Chun-wah (South China), Szeto Man (KMD).

The team will be in the charge of Captain George of the Army and Ft. Lt. Hides of the RAF.

## WEEK-END MATCHES

As far as local fans are concerned the week-end will lack the top ranking events that we enjoyed last week, but this afternoon there is sure to be a big crowd at the Club Stadium for the 1953-54 final of the Memorial Cup which sees Kowloon Chinese and Hongkong Chinese in opposition. The match is listed to start at 5 o'clock.

This could be a thrilling game and it is difficult to spot the winner. I have a feeling that the Hongkong boys will just about do enough to see them through to the collection of another trophy.

Tomorrow is a quiet day and only one First Division match is down for decision. It is one which will be played without any spectators. It is a meeting of Kwong Wah and St. Joseph's and it takes place on the Army ground at Sookunpo. Neither team has shown very consistent form this season but the Chinese boys may have the little extra power that will bring them a couple of points.

Kick-off is at 5 o'clock.

There are several interesting games listed for the incoming week. On Tuesday, title-chasing KMB are in action at Caroline Hill against St. Joseph's and anything short of a substantial win for the Businessmen would be in the nature of a minor sensation.

While this game is in progress a more even encounter will be taking place at the Club Stadium where Club entertain South China. The Champions are on dangerous ground here and nothing but a complete repeat of the brilliant form they showed against the Army will see them through. Both of these games are due to start at 5.45 p.m.

On Wednesday the Army side will be in action again against Kwong Wah and they will have to do better than they did against South China if they hope to gain the points. The game, which will be played at the Club Stadium, will commence at 5.45 p.m.

Kitchee, this season's Challenge Shield winners, take the field on Thursday at Caroline Hill when they tackle the Royal Air Force. This is very much a game of 'if.'

If the RAF can reproduce their South China form, then the verdict is wide open... if they don't then Kitchee look like clear winners. After the Army's defeat by South China every point is valuable to Kitchee as the final positions at the top of the League are still very much in doubt.

## WEEK-END SOFTBALL

## Chinese Athletic And The Braves Can't Afford To Lose Tomorrow

By "SNOOPER"

Not so long ago, it seemed that Mak Kwong's Chinese Athletic Association or Ed Carvalho's Braves or both would be fighting it out for the Senior "A" softball Pennant. As it turned out both have lacked staying power this season—or is it that vital spark which makes a good side into the champion of champions?

Diminished as their aspirations are, the two teams will be all out in quest of the runner-up position in the League when they come up against mediocre opposition on Sunday.

The Chinese Athletic Association ballplayers, a much better team than the Rexes, should not falter in this game while the Braves are expected to beat Chev Tsao's South China in an uncertain manner to share honours or second place in the League.

Members of the Wildfires and the Wahoos have every reason to rejoice over the news that D. Malig and Yolly Silva have won the Senior "B" and Ladies' Batting Championship titles respectively.

Malig, who won the Senior "B" batting crown by a wide and decisive margin, had compiled a .407 average, being credited with 11 hits against 27 times at bat.

His nearest rivals, Frankie Loureiro of the Delawares, Eddie Tao of the Pandas and Onefre Souza of the PI Dodgers, flogged in the homestretch to enable Malig to win the title hands down.

## CRUELLY HIT

In the Ladies' League Wahoos' Terry Noronha, cruelly hit by a hand injury, was deprived of the Batting Championship this season. Terry

Loureiro of the Delawares, Eddie Tao of the Pandas and Onefre Souza of the PI Dodgers, flogged in the homestretch to enable Malig to win the title hands down.

Arrangements are being finalised to stage the Junior Knock-out Tournament on Saturday, April 10. The Chinese Athletic Association first team, champions of this division, will be barred.

The draw, announced by the League Management Committee, is as follows:

First round—Pandas v PI Dodgers; 25 Gunners v Rookies; Comets v Maumaus; CAA 2 v Pandas. The semi-final round will take place on Saturday, April 17, with the final round scheduled for Saturday, April 24.

The Final of the International Softball Series between Portugal and China will be played over the Easter Holidays and the Annual Presentation Dance is to be held at the Peninsula Hotel in early May.

## A SUGGESTION

The Hongkong Softball Association should thank the handful of official scorers for the astonishingly proficient share of work done during the League softball season and the general feeling is that the Association should reserve a special area for SCORERS ONLY when the next softball season comes around.

The only real difference between Yolly Silva and Irene Starkey was in finishing, and had Irene Starkey been able to hit Pearl Chan or May Wu consistently in their last outing, she might have won the title outright.

Meanwhile, Pandas' third base, Bonnie Chang, who seems to do little else but accumulate hits in the last few Pandarettes' League games, has improved considerably to edge out both Terry Noronha and Irene Starkey in the final tabulation for runner-up position.

Bonnie Chang justifies her return to batting prominence and with shortstop Amy Cheng she is generally considered one of the finest ballplayers in the Pandarettes' loop.

It is strongly recommended that a box be made exclusively for the scorers who, despite their wonderful zeal in the execution of their duties, look very much out of place at King's Park today. It will be pleasing to see them work in peace all by themselves next season.

## FINAL STANDINGS

Pending official confirmation from the Hongkong Softball Association, following is the order of standing in the Batting Championship race:

Senior "A"—Buji Dhabher (Braves); G. M. Tsang, (CAA) 13-3; Eddie Tao (Pandas); Y. S. Liang (Wildfires); Calu Yuanyovich (Braves); Seldon Ma (CAA) 1 and P. Jen of the Pandas.

JUNIOR KO TOURNAMENT

The only game down for decision this afternoon will be the return encounter between the 25 Gunners and the Maumaus. The Maumaus, who contributed a prominent share of bright softball in the Junior League at the start of the season, slumped considerably after pitcher Daniel Remedios has signed up for the Americans.

The Rest:—Jimmy Herrick (Pandas); C. Vieira, D. Molig, R. Matos (Wildfires); Claudio Pugh, Jack Bordwell; John Heidemann (Americans); R. Vieira (Hongkong University); O. Souza, J. Azvedo; Tony Rey, T. Tavares, E. Eusebio, D. O'Connor, and M. Nunes (PI Dodgers).

MAIN INTEREST: In this game, which should see the Maumaus win by a substantial margin, is centred on the batting perform-

ance of two of the Gunners' batters in A. Fuller and Frank Wadsworth.

The two soldiers should make good use of this game as they are capable of scoring a couple of hits which should enhance their position in the final batting standings. Fuller stands a good chance of being placed third in the final batting tabulations.

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When things were going rough, the scorers gave the impression that they were about to quit their posts, but they have certainly stayed their part by hanging on in spite of admitted difficulties, which speaks highly of their loyalty and enthusiasm. The Association, too, must remember that the function of the scorers is an important one and unless fullest support is given, the Association cannot expect the scorers to play the game.

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# JUST ONE BLOW FROM THE LAD EVERYONE PITIED — AND ALLEN WAS OUT

In the Welsh mining village of Abercynon a young collier smiles broadly. His name is Dai Dower. Dai is a boxer. A flyweight, he looks frail even among his fellow eight-stoners. Twenty years old, with dark, curly hair, dark sparkling eyes and a smile bordering on the cherubic, he's not the popular idea of a pugilist.

These looks even deceived many of Britain's most hardened fight fans. They reckoned it would be little short of suicide for Dai to try to break into the "big time." For he is a professional of only a year's standing, and the gulf between boxing's paid and unpaid is vast indeed.

Imagine then the own team, part of the Dower make-up. He won when Dai was met half-way and gained a points win with British Champion Tex Willer despite a third round knock down.

## THE HARD WAY

The fight runs up Dai's path to the top the hard way.

He's been scrapping since he was four, and always against opponents nearly twice his size.

At eight, he joined the Roath Youth Club in Cardiff. Here he was taken on hand by organiser Bill Mannings.

Few boxers have served a more vigorous apprenticeship. Bill was a tough taskmaster. When Dai squirmed, he stood in his corner, slapping a rope in hand, and shouting on-the-spot reprimand to the boy's mistakes.

No wonder Dai is attracting fighters' ears. Dai, I found that he gave a fast and Mr. Mannings had a harder job to teach me,"

His legs could nowhere now support him. He tried to use the ropes to drag himself up. But his arms were like rubber too.

And all the result of one blow from the lad everyone pitied. No wonder he's smiling. Dai has had similar visits to chuckle before.

His first serious boxing was at the National Coal Board Championship three years ago.

Having reached the semi-finals, he came up against an eight stone "giant." Dai tipped the scales at 7st 10lb.

What's more, his opponent had qualified by flooring him with one punch.

Dai's friends told him to withdraw. But retreating is not

## To Sail Around The World In A Motor Yacht

Two young Bournemouth men left Southampton on April 1 in a 34ft luxury motor yacht to sail round the world.

They are David Hughes, of Redhill Drive, Bournemouth, and George M. Darlow, of Gray's Cottage, Lytchett Matravers. Both are single and in their middle thirties.

Four years ago Darlow attempted to sail the Atlantic alone in a 25ft. yacht. It was capsized in heavy seas, and he was saved by the crew of an American tanker.

### SEARCH FOR FISH

Darlow is an author and former war correspondent. He plans to write a book about the voyage.

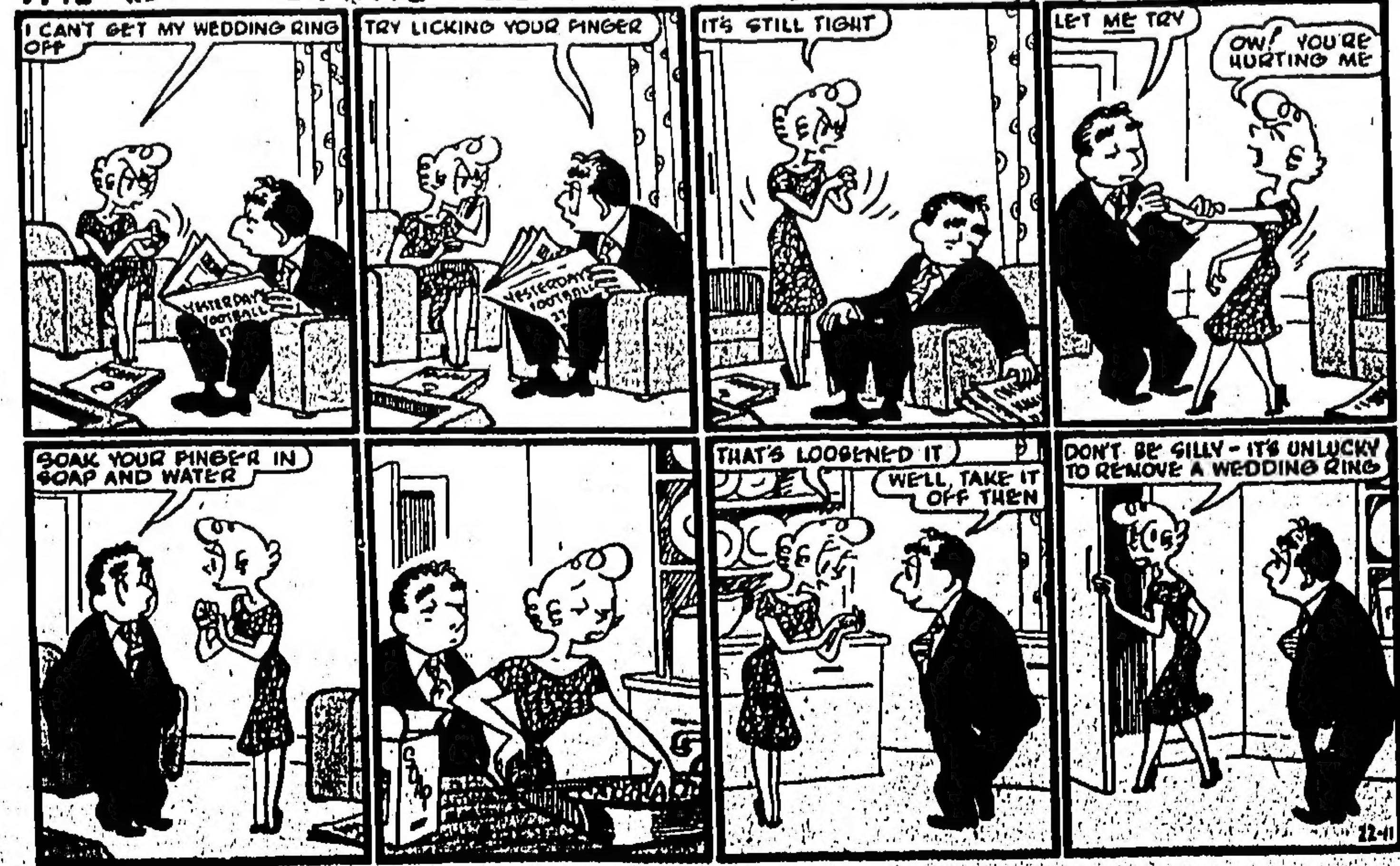
Hughes, a former member of the George Mitchell Choir, was a prisoner-of-war, and was sentenced to six months "solitary" for attempting to escape. He is 3ft. 2in. tall and a former amateur boxer.

Both are interested in tropical fish, and they are taking with them special underwater diving helmets to aid them in their search for unusual specimens.

—London Express Service.

## THE WEEK-END GAMBOLS . . .

by Barry Appleby



## BIG BILL'S WEDDING



A bridegroom in Melbourne recently was the popular Australian Test player, Bill Johnston, of the wily ball and unwieldy bat! Popular with the English cricket crowds, Big Bill was married to former air hostess Judith Butler.

This picture shows the couple after the ceremony.

—Central Press Photo.

## The "Luck Of The Sullivans" Is Still Required

He was gigantic, generous and flamboyant—the idol of his age and world. A song and a saying were woven about his very name.

He was the last fighter to win the world heavyweight title—which he took, after a murderous battle, from Paddy Ryan—in a bare-knuckle fight under the old prize-fighting regulations.

He was the first to lose this title to "Gentleman" Jim Corbett in a fight governed by the new-fangled Queensberry Rules, which forced gloves upon pugilists' pickled fists.

He was the invincible "Boston Strong Boy," John L. Sullivan—subject of the song "Never had a man called Sullivan" and responsible for the saying "all the luck of the Sullivans." To "The Fancy" the world over, he was a veritable god.

He was also among the many prize-fighters who have capitalised on their titles outside the ring. In between fights, he used to tour the States with a dramatic society.

Their plays were always lurid melodramas in which John L. took the leading role. Could he act? Who the heck cared about that? He only had to swagger his swashbuckling way on to the stage for the packed audience to rise, roaring to its feet in adoration.

The cash came pouring in. And John L., who appreciated such refinements as vintage champagne, liqueur, brandy, choice cigars, silk shirts and the best suites in luxury hotels, also understood the usefulness of money.

**TURNED IT DOWN**  
Yet he once (unwittingly) turned down the chance of a greater fortune, than ever he stood to win with his sledge-hammer fists. Somebody tried to sell him a vast chunk of land in Oklahoma, telling him it would make an ideal empire for a little "king."

John L. who saw little attraction in a life on the range, laughed and rejected the offer. Today, that land is to be the site of a new oil search.

Scientists have reported favourably on the geological and geophysical characteristics, and a deep-test bore-hole is to be

## Badminton Championships

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the draw and I doubt very much if all the other three seeded players, F. M. Rozario, Joseph Foo and Ko Wai-bong, will reach the semi-final.

Foo, who showed unmistakable signs of having been out of practice in his match on Thursday, will have to produce much better form if he hopes to get through his singles match against the wily Craigengower player, E. Ibrahim.

Francis Rozario, who has been knocking at the door of Junior Singles Championship honours for the last few seasons, will again have to contend with his own lack of match temperament plus a promising opponent in P. V. Yap.

**SURPRISING**  
In the Junior Doubles it was rather surprising that J. B. Pomeroy Jr. and J. C. Koh have not been given a seeded place as they are definitely one of the strongest pairs in the event.

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gaining a comfortable passage into the final, but the bottom half will see at least two closely contested games before the final stage is reached.

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## ALEC BEDSER'S COLUMN

# Hooliganism And Mob Rule Cannot Be Tolerated

Recent events in Test Matches between the West Indies and England have been profoundly disturbing. As there has been time for reflection here you may be interested in my views on them.

At Kingston in the first Test, Jeffroy Stollmeyer, West Indies skipper, was repeatedly booed for not enforcing the follow-on—which proved to be correct—and the two umpires were threatened by pistol and knife. At Georgetown during the third Test hundreds of bottles were thrown in what correspondents who travel the world covering cricket described as the "ugliest and worst demonstration of all time."

Like all major sports, cricket just cannot tolerate hooliganism or mob rule and if the players are to be intimidated and the umpires threatened it is high time we stopped playing cricket.

What the plain men of Hambledon who invented this "lovely game with the lovely name" would think could they return to modern days encounter I would not care to think.

Unfortunately at times it would seem that too much attention is placed by some on national prestige depending on the result of Tests.

We are getting further and further from the fundamental fact that a cricket match, whether it is between England and Australia or two neighbouring village sides, is a test of skill between friends.

If cricket does not make friends — only enemies — and arouses nothing but base passions and jealousies we had better think again and invent a more innocent pastime.

### TENSION HAS MOUNTED

Tension in Test cricket has undeniably mounted and as one famous player said to me recently: "You would not think it was a GAME nowadays." With television focussed on the wicket, ball by ball commentaries plus the press reports, it is now news if a player blows his nose on the field.

In fact on one Test last year when I drew out a handkerchief to mop my brow an umpire said to me "Do you realise they are watching you do that hundreds of miles away?"

It really is extraordinary and that remark made me realise how important it is for the modern player to be restrained in his every action, his every gesture. He must not even swear under his breath for lip readers watching television are able to "read" what he has said!

And if my readers imagine that to be far-fetched I can tell them a player was actually "pulled up" by an indignant correspondent last year. He objected to what had been said under the player's breath and to himself!

With the situation as delicate as it is in many parts of the world where cricket is played the players can help to restore sanity and a more peaceful atmosphere by helping umpires in two ways.

First, they must learn to be fair appeasers. By this I mean they must never appeal unless they genuinely believe it to be a fair claim. Second, by accepting the decision of the umpire promptly and without question.

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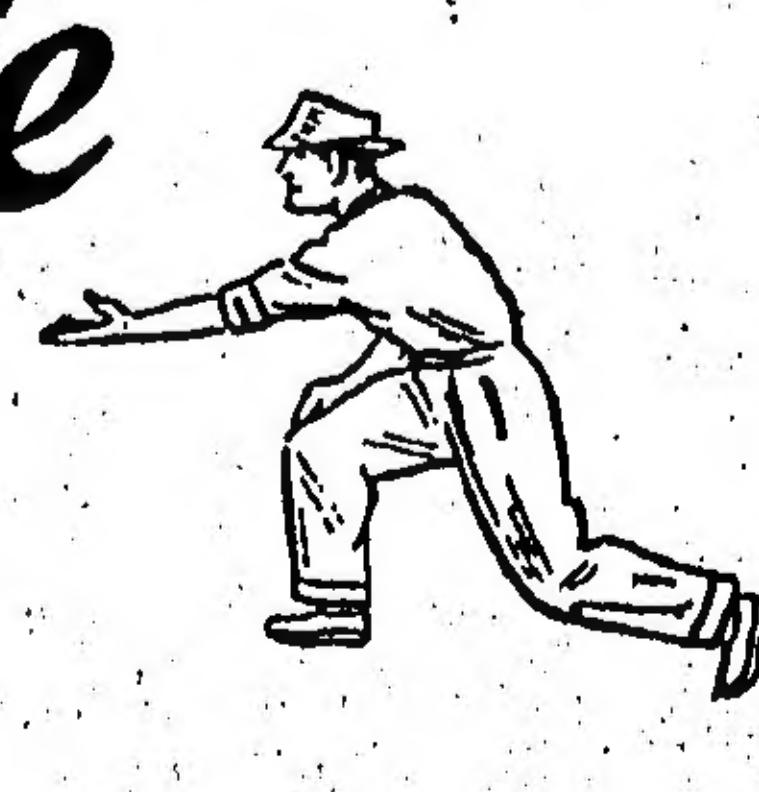
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"CYCLOPS"	Gronau, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, London & Hamburg	24th Apr. 25th Apr.
"PERSEUS"	Marselles, Liverpool & Glasgow	5th May 6th May

Scheduled Sailings from Europe

Sails	Sails	Arrives
G. "ANTHOLOCHUS"	Sailed	Hong Kong
B. "CYCLOPS"	do	6th Apr.
G. "PERSEUS"	Sailed	13th Apr.
S. "LAOMEDON"	do	24th Apr.
G. "ANCHISES"	do	2nd May
S. "CYLTONESUS"	do	8th May
G. "PYRRHUS"	7th Apr.	14th May
S. "AKNEUS"	18th Apr.	23rd May

G. Loading Glasgow before Liverpool. S. Loading Swansea before Liverpool.

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Sailed	Sailed	8th Apr.
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"MANGALORE"	— do —	6th May
"AJAX"	— do —	16th Apr.
"HAINAN"	— do —	16th May
"AGAMEMNON"	13th Apr.	4th May

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Leads	Sails
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"TELEMACHUS"	10th Apr.
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## the BOYS and GIRLS PAGE

## Decorate A JAR

1. Sift 1 cup of SALT with 1 cup of FLOUR...

2. Put 1 teaspoon of FOOD COLORING in 1 cup of WATER... BRING TO A BOIL THEN... STIR THE SALT- FLOUR QUICKLY INTO THE WATER.

3. WHEN THE MIXTURE IS COOL ENOUGH, PUT IT ON WAX PAPER AND KNEAD IT UNTIL IT IS NO LONGER STICKY.

4. Press the dough into a layer about 1/8 inch thick and as wide as the jar.

5. Press shell macaroni, red popcorn or colored tooth picks, buttons, seeds or sequins into the dough to make a design (let it dry).

USE FOR A FLOWER VASE

## Experiment With Electro-magnet

WHAT IT IS: Toy magnet picks up iron and steel at all times. Sometimes it is helpful to have a magnet that will drop its load when one wants it dropped. Such a magnet can be used to move scrap iron from one place to another. You can move a pile of paper clips with a small electromagnet.

WHAT YOU NEED: One-half-inch iron bolt, or any large iron bolt, or empty spool from adhesive tape, spool of magnet wire (size 22 or 28 preferred), dry cell, switch from hardware store or dime store, small electromagnet.

WHAT TO DO: Cut two cardboard circles about one inch in diameter and punch holes in the centers so that they will slip on the ends of the bolt. Punch a hole with a pin or large needle in one of the circles so that the wire can go through it. Slide one of the circles on

the bolt. Unwind about two feet of wire from the spool and put the end through the hole from the centre of the bolt toward the end. Pull the wire through.

Wind wire from the spool on to the bolt, making turns as close together as possible. When the end of the bolt is reached, wind in the opposite direction, making another layer. Make several layers, then put on the cardboard circle at the opposite end, put a hole through it, cut the wire about a foot from the bolt and slide it through the hole.

Connect one end of the wire to a terminal of a dry cell. Connect the other end to a switch. Connect a short wire from the other terminal of the switch to the other terminal of the dry cell.

Close the switch and hold the electro-magnet near a pile of paper clips. Move it away, open the switch.

Try to pick up paper clips with the magnet when the switch is open.

## ANIMALS IN GAME OF WORDS

THE name of an animal is hidden in each sentence below. Every animal word is spelled backwards, and crosses over into another word. For example, the hidden animal in the phrase CARRY NO PACKAGES is PONY.

Look for the name of one animal in each sentence. When found, encircle or underline it.

1. Let's go downtown for some ice cream.

2. There were two children in the car.

3. Phillip saw trained monkeys at the circus.

4. Give the box of candy to Sally.

5. The three dancers were good friends.

6. My new book contains no illustrations.

7. All we caught were several little mackerels.

8. Small children like to collect acorns.

9. There are nine houses on our street.

10. Dark nimbus clouds often bring rain.

11. Father gave me a black leather bag.

12. Don't bar club members from the picnic.

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**DUMB-BELLS****YOUR BIRTHDAY... BY STELLA**

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

BORN today, you have a kindly, sympathetic nature—sometimes almost too responsive to the needs of others and their demands upon your time and attention. Pay less attention to impulse and think things over a little more carefully. Learn to realize that your first responsibility is to your own self and to those in your family group, rather than outsiders. Otherwise you will run the risk of being imposed upon. True friendship is reciprocal. See that you get a similar share of help when you need it.

You have a high-strung nature and are inclined to work by fits and starts. You can work at top speed for a while—get a definite job done—and then quietly collapse into an apathy that many mistake for sheer laziness. Much better if you learn to equate your efforts over an extended period of time. This may be a difficult lesson for one of your temperament to learn, but try.

You have creative imagination as well as a sense of the dramatic and should put these talents to work for you. You are as critical of yourself as you are of others—and often fail to give yourself sufficient credit for work well done. Learn that the estimate the world has of you is often the estimate you, yourself, have and project. You speak well in public and would make a fine lecturer. Live up to your highest ideals and an outstanding success can be yours.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Be confident that all will be well with anything that you will want to undertake today.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 20)—Pay little or no attention to rich rewards. Lend your right hand to your own efforts.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21)—You will find that things important can prove of the most importance to your future at this time.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 23)—Keep an optimistic attitude toward life. Make your plans accordingly. All should go very well indeed with you.

**LEO** (July 24-Aug. 23)—This is a fine day to do a lot of the things at home that you have been neglecting recently.

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**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—You may have a visit from an old friend whom you may not have seen lately. Enjoy yourself.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—The signs are auspicious for anything which you may want to undertake. You should feel full of vim and vigor.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—Take stock of things and perhaps you can think of ways to improve your personality.

**PIRATES** (Feb. 19-Mar. 20)—Good luck to try to improve.

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## EARLY AGREEMENT SEEN ON GENEVA PLANS No Opposition Expected To Two Western Moves

JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### THE WRITER

IT has been Edward's business all his working life to observe and report upon his fellow men's behaviour.

As a writer for newspapers and magazines, as the author of at least one novel, as yet unpublished, and one play that has still to be produced, other people glimpsed, studied or imagined at their moments of triumph and disaster, have provided the raw material in which he has worked.

Now, at 51, Edward, whose pen so often has drawn slight of pity from his readers for those about whom he has written, is himself in a plight as pitiable as any of theirs.

The other day, at the West London court, Edward pleaded guilty to stealing an expensive book from a department store.

**TWICE BEFORE**

HE is a brisk-looking man with dark hair receding from his forehead, who wears a small moustache and a neat bow tie, and when the police were called to the store, he told them he had, earlier that afternoon, stolen two other books from two other shops.

"There are two previous convictions," said a police officer to Mr. E. R. Guest, the magistrate. "In 1945, he was fined £1 for stealing a lady's fan. In 1952, he was conditionally discharged up in Blackpool for making improper use of a railway carriage."

"What was he doing?" the magistrate asked.

"Sleeping in it," the officer answered, without further explanation. Instead, he turned to Edward's history. "All his life until recently," he said, "this man has been a journalist and writer. Lately he has not been very successful, and has been working in the kitchens of hotels and living in Rowton Houses."

**ANTI-SOCIAL**

"MAY I tell you the reason for that?" Edward put in, his accent homespun North Country. The magistrate nodded. "I owe my present condition," Edward said, "to chronic alcoholism.

"Right at the outset, I want to say I realise it was anti-social of me to take property that didn't belong to me, yesterday. This morning, my ethics are not clouded by drink. Yesterday, I did slip."

"I went to the labour exchange, and then, in Soho, I met a friend from the old days, and he bought me some new gin and bitters."

**SHOP TALK**

AND with the drinks, offered with the best intentions, out of friendship, there would be that hearty "shop" talk all writers indulge in, and for Edward the brief might of feeling he belonged again, was one with all writers from Shakespeare down. Then the friend would go, back to the work he was busy on; and Edward would be alone again, a kitchen porter out of a job.

Now from the dock he said: "I have a full length play, sir, night after night I have stood outside a stage door in the West End trying to catch a very famous actress to ask her to read it."

"I have another work, sir, that deals with a subject with which I have become all too familiar..."

"I don't think the subject of your work will assist me to decide anything," said the magistrate.

"I just want to show that I'm trying to earn my living," Edward said.

"I shall remand you in custody for a fortnight," said Mr. Guest. "I want there to be a thorough medical examination."

**MY MANUSCRIPTS**

"THANK you, sir," said Edward; then, as he was led out, he was struck by a terrible thought. "My manuscripts, sir, they're in my locker. What will become of them. They're all I have, sir..."

"The police will see to that," said the magistrate, and Edward left, quiet, weary, reloyed, to face the next chapter in the tale he was living, not writing.

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### Two Years For "Fiendish Cruelty"

Melbourne, Apr. 2.  
Mr Arthur Victor Murray, 44-year-old father of eight children, was sent to two years' hard labour here today, for what the Judge called "fiendish cruelty" towards his son.

Mr Murray, a driver, was accused of thrashing his 15-year-old son with sticks, breaking both the boy's arms and cutting his head and ear, because he suspected him of a theft. A few hours later, he gave his son a second thrashing with a belt or strap.

Chief Justice Berring said a father had a right and duty to correct his son. "But he can do so without brutality and without sadistic cruelty. It does not give him the right to work himself into a fury in which he behaves like a fiend." — China Mail Special.

### MRP Wants EDC Debated By May 25

Leaders of Catholic, Hoahao, Cnud, Coadist religious groups and the Dalviet and Binhxuyen political parties meeting here signed the pledge to fight Communism in all its forms."

The Vietnam Government, which opposes a negotiated peace with Ho Chi-minh, Vietnamese leader, this week created a war Cabinet planned to stamp out any group advocating a treaty with the Vietminh at the present time. — Reuter.

### US Convention Votes For McCarthy

Bangor, Maine, Apr. 2.  
A resolution critical of the methods employed by Senator Joseph R. McCarthy (Republican, Wisconsin), was defeated today at the Maine Republican State Convention.

The resolution, introduced at a meeting of First District delegates such as the Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, and the Assistant Secretary, Mr. Walter Robertson, when it became necessary to finalise the Alca policy position on the conference.

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There was no applause after he concluded his remarks. A few boos were heard.

The resolution said: "Amend by adding the following words to the national affairs plank of the platform: We as Republicans of Maine reaffirm our faith in our American system of representative democracy. We also recognise the right of our Government to investigate and prosecute all cases of subversion and treasonable acts against the United States of America, but in so doing that such procedure should be carried on according to the principles of fair play and justice as exemplified in the Bill of Rights and the Constitution of the United States."

In his description of his resolution, Mr. Perham said it was aimed at "the degrading Americanism of McCarthy." — United Press.

### Aid For Iraq Airlift

Fayid, Suez Canal Zone, Apr. 2.  
British Army authorities said here today that 1,000 tents and 250,000 sandbags were being rushed to Iraq to help stem the floods and to provide relief.

Two hundred thousand emergency sandbags have been flown from Royal Air Force stocks at Harbinbya, Iraq, and 50,000 from the Suez Canal Zone. They are being used to help rebuild and reinforce the dykes on the Tigris and Euphrates rivers whose swollen waters have menaced Bagdad and left many homeless and stranded.

The airlift is continuing today and transports are standing by to carry other supplies if requested. — Reuter.

### Stubborn Defence By West Indies: 123 For 3 At Tea

Kingston, Jamaica, Apr. 2.  
West Indies had scored 123 for the loss of three wickets at tea today in the Test against England here.

At the lunch interval they scored 54 for two wickets, having added 34 runs during the 90 minutes morning play for the loss of two wickets.

Pace bowler Freddie Trueman struck the first blow for England, 20 minutes after the resumption, when he dismissed John Holt for eight. Only six runs had been added to the overnight total when Holt turned a fast inswinger to backward short leg, where Tony Lock took a two-handed catch a foot from the ground.

The weather was extremely hot. The ball did not lift as it had done on the first morning. But the pitch was still fairly fast and Trueman bowled with considerable speed.

Everton Weekes offered Tom Graveney a very difficult chance off spinner Jim Laker when only one but after scoring three in half an hour, he played a ball from Johnny Wardle hard on to his wicket with the total at 38.

Opening bat Jeff Stollmeyer defended stubbornly with Worrell until lunch.

Scores:

West Indies, 1st Innings 139;	England, 1st Innings 414.
West Indies, 2nd Innings	
J. Holt, c. Lock, b. Trueman	8
J. Stollmeyer, not out	29
E. Weekes, b. Wardle	3
F. Worrell, not out	12
Extras	2
for two	54

— Reuter.

### UK Minister Opposes Merger Plan

London, Apr. 2.  
The Minister of State for the Colonies, Mr Henry Hopkinson, today opposed the idea of merging the Colonial and Commonwealth Relations offices.

It was high time for the Government to take a stand and decide to start the ratification debate by May 25 at the latest, M. Bichet told an MRP meeting in Versailles last night.

"If it happens otherwise the MRP National congress which is meeting on May 27 would doubtless ask for the withdrawal of its ministers from the Government. The choice must be made now," he added.

The eight MRP ministers in Premier Joseph Laniel's Government include the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, and the Deputy Premier, M. Pierre Henri Teilgen.

The Government, seriously divided on the European Army issue, has not yet made up its mind when the National Assembly should start the ratification debate. — Reuter.

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There was no applause after he concluded his remarks. A few boos were heard.

The resolution said: "Amend by adding the following words to the national affairs plank of the platform: We as Republicans of Maine reaffirm our faith in our American system of representative democracy. We also recognise the right of our Government to investigate and prosecute all cases of subversion and treasonable acts against the United States of America, but in so doing that such procedure should be carried on according to the principles of fair play and justice as exemplified in the Bill of Rights and the Constitution of the United States."

In his description of his resolution, Mr. Perham said it was aimed at "the degrading Americanism of McCarthy." — United Press.

**BOYS AND GIRLS PAGE SOLUTIONS**

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FET BREEDS: 1-Sheep, 2-Cow, 3-Dog, 4-Pig, 5-Cat, 6-Pony, 7-Horse, 8-Fig, 9-Chicken, 10-Duck.

CIRCUS MIX-UPS: India rubber man; Aerialists; Fun-making clowns.

CIRCUS REBIR: Giraffe; Leopard; Lions; Big Top.

WORD GAME

1-Dog	2-Cow	3-Wasp	4-Fox
5-Deer	6-Lion	7-Camel	8-Cat
9-Hen	10-Mink	11-Elk	12-Crab

— Reuter.

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Rugby Union result: Penzance and Newlyn 10 points Barnstaple 0. — Reuter.

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